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## DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

To-day.

(August 23.)

Rotary Club Tiffin, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 1 p.m. (closed meeting for members).

South China Motor Shipbuilding & Repairing Works, Ltd., Annual Meeting, St. George's Building, 12.30 p.m.

Entries for Macao Races close. Queen's Theatre: "A Tailor-made Man."

World Theatre: "The Story of Kin Tan," Part 2 (Chinese film).

Star Theatre: "Montana Moon." Central Theatre: "Fair Warning."

King's Theatre: "The Lawyer's Secret."

Prince's Theatre: "South Sea Rose."

Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

European Mail: Inward from London (parcels only) by Nankin.

Tides:—High at 5.48 and 9.36; Low at 1.56.

Wednesday.

(August 24.)

Queen's Theatre: "A Tailor-made Man."

World Theatre: "The Story of Kin Tan," Part 2 (Chinese film).

Star Theatre: "Married In Hollywood."

Central Theatre: "Honor Among Lovers."

King's Theatre: "The Lawyer's Secret."

Prince's Theatre: "South Sea Rose."

Tea Dance at King's Restaurant. Dinner Dances at Peninsula Hotel and Repulse Bay Hotel.

European Mail:—Outward: Europe (ordinary letters only) superscribed "via Siberia": Air Mail, Shanghai-Manchouli.

Tides:—High at 7.50 and 10.11; Low at 1.03 and 3.11.

Thursday.

(August 25.)

Queen's Theatre: "Way For A Sailor."

World Theatre: "The Story of Kin Tan," Part 2 (Chinese film).

Star Theatre: "Married In Hollywood."

Central Theatre: "Honor Among Lovers."

King's Theatre: "Tarnished Lady."

Prince's Theatre: "The City Girl."

Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

Tides:—High at 8.35 and 10.31; Low at 1.54 and 3.40.

## "YOU GOT TO HAND IT OUT TO LONDON."

AMERICA LOOKS ROUND—AND APPROVES.

AND A LONDONER'S VIEW OF THE VISITORS.

I was prepared to be defensive, even apologetic, writes G. M. Thompson in the *Evening Standard*.

"Yes," I was ready to say, "our streets are narrow and badly planned, our buildings are too low by about ten storeys; we are shabby and out-of-date, but our policemen, you will admit, are wonderful, our complexions have a certain bucolic charm, our grass, our trees—"

It only shows how far wrong one can go.

I had always imagined (heaven forgive me!) that those vast motor-coaches which sleekly bore our visitors from the New World to gaze on our city moved to an obligate of acid trans-Atlantic disparagement: "Say, is that the National Gallery? You should see the art gallery at Nashville, Tennessee."

And here I was in the midst of it. To right and left, to front and rear, the serried ranks of America were massed. Men with hats thrust forward on their brows, with cigars slewing like the gun-turrets of battleships, with a general air of benign truculence, women trim, assured and competent, girls in whom something of the exotic East is united with the unabashed and open-air West—here they were!

But where were the covert sneers, at an effete civilization? Where the raw comparisons of a nation with higher buildings than we?

### Beautiful Girls.

I listened, and the great American symphony sounded in my ears, from the double-bass contributed by a man reading aloud the latest Wall Street quotations to the lighter wood-wind passages of a pair of girls—one dark, one fair, both beautiful—who discussed in high-pitched New England voices the latest stage in some *affaire de coeur* that was throbbing to its conclusion in distant Pennsylvania.

How pleasant the music of American speech! Like English transposed to another key, with all

manner of surprising sharpness and flutes and rich, velvety vowels like reminiscences of Irish.

"United States Steel has dropped another dollar," said Double Bass, as we crossed Trafalgar Square.

"Geo, another buck!" jubilated a lean, hook-nosed man whose face seemed to be cast in a kind of highly-glazed pottery. But on another seat a fat, melancholy man drew down the corners of his mouth expressively while his wife said sharply: "What did I tell you, Eldred?"

Of course! The lean man was a Bear and the fat man a Bull. At last I had seen these mythological animals. Poor Bull, this was no weather for him.

Then suddenly Double Bass put his paper down and looked about him.

"Say," he said in tones that must have boomed over many a stricken field of finance, "say, you got to hand it to London. Yessir." A low murmur of approval.

### So Modest.

Was this the Hoover spirit at work, or had I been misjudging them all along? What nonsense has been talked about those modest, appreciative, intelligent people.

"We are now entering St. James' Street, the heart of clubland. All around us are the clubs of the British aristocracy." Boanerges, whom we call our guide-lecturer, is a credit to us and to the famous university which has released him for the summer.

"Hasn't he got just the outest accent. I could sit and listen to him for hours." The narrative of that New England passion halted while the fair Diana commented to her dark sister on the charm of Boanerges. But only for a moment: "What can a girl expect if she lets a fellow take her to a dance and then goes home in another fellow's automobile."

A new voice impinged on my hearing, feminine and wearily per-

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# SPARKS FROM THE PLUGS

## LAST OPPORTUNITIES OF THE MOTOR TRADE.

### BRITAIN'S FAILURE TO EXPORT: A FREE TRADER'S OPINION.

### WHY NOT DESIGN A CAR TO SELL ABROAD?

Should the motor trade put more horse-power into its efforts to capture trade abroad?

The failure to export British cars on any large scale is one of the most outstanding facts of to-day, and in the trade survey which he is conducting for the *New Chronicle* Mr. A. J. Cummings investigates the cause and the remedy.

One of the great new industries is the motor-car trade, the development of which in this country is hampered or encouraged, according to conflicting views, by the fact that it enjoys under the McKenna duties a measure of Protection.

The conclusions about the motor industry from the tariff point of view were well summarised in a recent analysis by Mr. Comyns Carr, in which he observed that it was "an accident" that the industry is protected by a tariff and that it has not passed and could not pass through the safeguarding scheme.

It buys its materials in what is mainly a Free Trade market, and has all the advantages of Protection without the disadvantages which would arise if Protection were more widely extended, and especially if iron and steel were protected. It secures the home market for small cars because of its concentration on short bors and strong stroke, thus keeping the tax low. The horse-power tax is its greatest protection against foreign-made cars, as it is also its greatest handicap in Overseas markets.

#### Export as the Keyword.

It is a fact not without significance that the greatest increase in the motor-car group of industries took place during the year ending June, 1929, which was practically a Free Trade year, when the McKenna duties were not in force; and exports of motor-cars increased during that year by twice as much as in any year under Protection.

The export market must be the dominating factor in the future of this great modern industrial development.

According to a computation by the Secretary of the Association of British Motor Car Manufacturers, the industry now employs a quarter of a million men and women. Many people who have studied the situation believe that, with the right kind of enterprise and organisation, that figure would soon be doubled. Export is the keyword.

It is difficult to find any motor manufacturer who will admit, in private that we are making the most of our opportunities in the markets of the world. That, I think, is a complete understatement of the position.

How many Englishmen outside the industry are aware that the Irish Free State is Britain's biggest customer for British-made motor-cars? The value of the Free State's purchases of British cars was greater last year than that of all the foreign countries of the world put together, and greater than that of all the overseas Dominions.

#### Abandon of British Cars Abroad.

What is the explanation of this discrepancy, in fact of the great business ability of some of our leading manufacturers? Mr. W. E. Rootes, joint managing director of Rootes, Ltd., (the largest motor-car distributors and exporters in

this country), said more than a year ago that "motor-cars were not being sold in Great Britain with the same vision, energy, and resources as in America."

That criticism, he added, applied with even greater force to British sales in other parts of the Empire and outside it. In a recent world tour he had been struck by the absence of British cars and the lack of enterprise shown by British manufacturers.

This kind of criticism is exceedingly common. Mr. P. J. Pybus, who has already contributed to the present discussion on the state of British trade, provoked a considerable controversy some time ago when he wrote a letter to the Press immediately after his return from a mission to South Africa and the Rhodesia. "In the course of an extensive tour," he wrote, with a certain wry humour,

"I never saw a lion, but once or twice I saw an English motor-car; and this humiliating experience is shared by every Englishman who travels through our Empire."

#### Chances Seized by America.

I may add that I had a similar experience when travelling in the Near East and in Egypt. I had to listen to many bitter complaints from Englishmen, especially in Egypt, about the failure of British competition; and in Jugo-Slavia I met by chance a leading member of a great American motor-manufacturing firm (not Ford's) who informed me, with an air of lively self-satisfaction, that he was proceeding to Egypt to fill up with good American business the big gap unaccountably left open so long by British manufacturers.

I do not cite these examples in any carping spirit, but merely to indicate the kind of criticism which is persistent and widespread.

#### The New Works at Dagenham.

I went a day or two ago for further information to Sir Percival Perry, in the belief that, as chairman of the Ford Motor Company, he might take a more or less detached view of the facts. His company is now putting up on a river frontage two-fifths of a mile long an enormous plant at Dagenham, in Essex, which will be capable of building 300,000 cars and commercial vehicles per annum, and which will employ many thousands of British workpeople.

It is, of course, frequently asserted that tariffs will compel foreign manufacturers to establish factories in this country, and the Dagenham enterprise is naturally quoted to illustrate this view. Sir Percival Perry makes an emphatic denial.

"The factory at Dagenham is being established," he says, "because we believe in the status of Great Britain as a manufacturing and distributing centre; and we expect that at least three-fourths of the output will be exported to markets outside Great Britain and

to a large extent outside the British Empire."

He is convinced that the McKenna duties have been a hindrance rather than a help "to that great expansion of which I believe the British-car industry, if it set itself out to cater for the world market, would be capable."

"You take the view, do you not," I said, "that the present method of calculating horse-power tax prejudices the sales of British cars in the markets of the world—that, in fact, it is impossible for a British manufacturer to build up any considerable export business in the circumstances?"

"My belief," replied Sir Percival Perry, "is that the British car doesn't sell well abroad because it is designed down to the horse-power tax."

The formula on which horse power is ascertained Sir Percival describes as "totally erroneous according to every engineering and technical standard"; and Hungary is the only other civilised country in the world which recognises its application as an indication of horse power and a basis of taxation.

Because it is used to determine the amount of the annual tax British manufacturers have designed their cars in recognition of its fallacies, with the result that "all such motor cars are inefficient and unpopular when compared with vehicles having engines which are correctly designed"; and the doors of world markets are thus nearly closed to British cars.

On the other hand commercial cars, the taxation of which is not based on this formula, "are acceptable and popular in the foreign and Colonial markets."

"British manufacturers talk about getting a preference in our own Dominion markets. But will the Dominions buy British cars?"

"In foreign markets British cars are conspicuous by their absence. Our manufacturers have something better than any fiscal preference in Holland and Denmark. We pay at least £45,000,000 a year for Danish produce. Denmark is a Free Trade country. It has no local industry to protect. The Danes hate having to buy American cars. But I don't think there is a British motor-car agency in the country."

"We are driving on our gear bar instead of with the engine."

"The Ford Company are selling about 10,000 cars a year in Holland; and the Dutch are buying about 30,000 cars a year of all makes—but practically no British cars."

"Now the balance of trade is with England. The Dutch much prefer to deal with the English. This country is spending something like £40,000,000 a year with Holland. But the Dutch have to go round the corner—4,000 miles from producer to consumer—to buy cars from Holland. And what is international trade but exchange?"

"Here is a market—right across the road—for British cars; and yet neither Denmark nor Holland buy from Britain."

"Then as to tariffs, Ford's sell 10,000 cars a year in France in spite of tariffs and strong competition; and in Europe 120,000 cars a year."

#### Why Not Design a Car to Sell Abroad?

"Personally, I believe if the British duty on imported cars were removed British manufacturers would do more domestic business because it would put them 'on their toes' competitively. If they had to get on their toes they would design a make of car which they could sell abroad."

"They talk of mass production. But mass production follows the demand. It doesn't create it. You must design a car which commands a wide appeal."

"America to-day is doing 84 per cent. of the export motor-car business of the world. But there is a ready market for Britain—with a suitable car."

Sir Percival is enthusiastic about the future of the motor-car industry, and dismisses brusquely the suggestion that we may be nearing saturation point.

"Our motor-car traffic demands are developing rapidly. Take the Great West Road, which runs almost parallel with the Great Western Railway. I am of the opinion that more goods and more passengers are carried on the road than on the parallel railway."

"Instead of electrifying the railways they should turn many of them into roads. We cannot compete in the development of electricity with other countries because we have no water power. Just as coal was at one time a great advantage to us in our industrial advance, now the absence of water power is a misfortune."

"Motor-cars are more heavily taxed in this country. It would be all to the good if part of the tax were taken off cars and put on horse traffic instead."

"Horse traffic in our great towns is a costly anomaly. Whenever you see a traffic block in London, you will almost invariably find a horse at the head of the procession. Besides damaging the surface of the street, horse traffic is an intolerable nuisance, and as a factor in traffic congestion means an incalculably heavy addition to useless and unprofitable expenditure."

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On the subject of wages, Sir Percival said Mr. Keynes's proposed 10 per cent. revenue tax might be the only way to get wages into proper relation to the cost of living—by putting up the cost of living—but he declared himself unhesitatingly a high wage man. "There is no need, in my opinion," he

said, "to cut wages down. My firm pays in this country a minimum wages (which we have adjusted to the cost of living) or 2s. 3d. an hour—that is to say, £4 a week for a 40-hour week. I believe in good, straight wages—not in piecework and other artificial incentives."

"I ask him for his view briefly on the fiscal question in relation to British industry."

"I am prepared," he replied, "to trust the ultimate instinct of the British people on Free Trade."

"So long as we are a creditor nation, as we still are, why should we make it hard for our debtors to pay us their debts by adopting Protection?"

"The United States of America offers us a glaring example of the reality and consequences of that problem. It is in our blood to have open markets. The Americans have been trained as a debtor nation to be Protectionists. For the same reason a creditor nation must be Free Trade. That is the answer to those who say 'How can England be right and the rest of the world wrong?'"

"I am not afraid," was Sir Percival's last word, "of the future of British trade. The future is going to be better than the past."

## MOTOR CARS BLESSED BY CANON.

### "CHRISTIANS DO NOT NEED MASCOTS."

A long line of motor-cars and cycles parked outside the Church of St. Michael Paternoster, in College-street, E.C., were blessed in celebration of the Feast of St. Christopher, the patron Saint of travellers.

Canon Bullock-Webster in his sermon emphasised the dangers in these days of constant travel.

"Our safety and lives depend on every crank, bolt, and wheel of the vehicle which is carrying us," he said. "To ward off danger many people carry mascots on their motor-cars. A mascot was a fetish or a talisman."

"But surely Christians do not need talismans and charms; all they need is God's blessing, and if they must carry something, it should be an emblem of St. Christopher."

Thus Canon then blessed the medals and tokens of the Saint. Afterwards he blessed each car parked outside.

## FORESHADOWING MOTORDOM'S GREATEST YEAR!



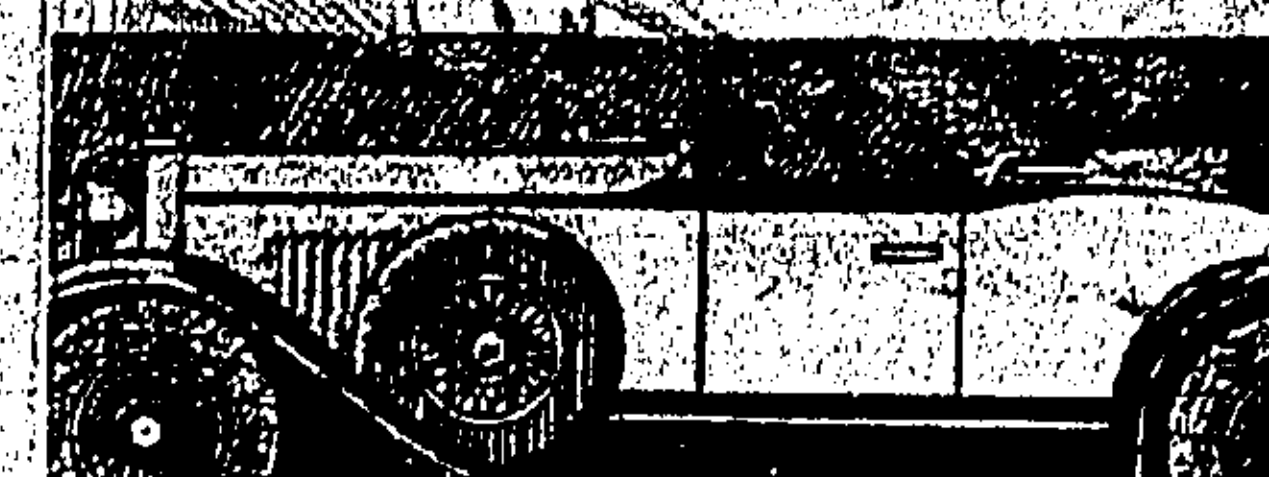
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## News from Everywhere

### SPORTS CAR CAPABLE OF 85 MILES PER HOUR.

One of the most interesting cars of the year is the new Twenty Special Speed Model which has just been placed on the market by the Rover Company of Coventry.

As its name implies, the car is of the sports type, being equipped with a light four-seater body. A long bonnet, low lines and imposing radiator are all in keeping with the car's performance. On Brooklands track its speed has been found to exceed 85 miles per hour, whilst 12 seconds only is occupied in obtaining 50 m.p.h. from a standstill.

The engine of the new model has the same dimensions as that of the "Meteor"—72 by 105 m.m., 2,505 c.c. The R.A.C. rating is 19.3 horse power and the tax is thus £20.

The four-speed gear-box is of the well-known Rover "Silent-third" type and has ratios of 3.7, 5.3, 7.8 and 13.9 to 1. In its silent third gear the car is capable of amazingly high speeds.

### WOMAN DRIVER'S FEAT.

To the numerous instances already recorded of women driving cars for distances and under conditions which would appal many a mere man must be added the following: leaving Highgate, London,

at 4 a.m., and stopping only for breakfast (half hour), lunch (one hour), tea (half hour) and for petrol, over two hours in all. A record was reached at 7.30 p.m. The actual driving time was 13 hours and the distance on the speedometer was 563 miles. For the first 385 miles there was heavy rain, and over the Cumberland hills a snowstorm was encountered. The car, a 16/50 Humber, contained four passengers.

### A GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S CHOICE.

The Humber Pullman Limousine recently supplied to H.E. Sir Isaac Isaacs, P.C., K.C.M.G., Governor-General of Australia, was fitted with bodywork built by Messrs. Martin J. King, of Armadale, Victoria, who are recognised as being the best and most exclusive of Australian coachbuilders. The body is a six-light limousine, seven passenger, and is lacquered in ultramarine blue with gold line and black top. Dove grey upholstery hide completes an attractive colour scheme.

The interior is particularly well equipped with dictaphone, smoker's and ladies' companions, etc., while to provide against sun glare adjustable smoked glass visors are fitted to the inside of the windscreen. The chassis was supplied by Overseas Motors, Ltd., Humber distributors in Melbourne.

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### "BABY" ENGINE AND A BIG CAR.

#### NEW HIGH-SPEED MODEL.

An entirely new class of motor-car is shortly to be introduced in England. It is not an experiment, but the logical outcome of the extraordinary efficiency obtainable from the British motor engineer in the power-for-size scale the best in the world, and the insistent demand of the public for high-class performance but the lowest possible tax and running costs.

The new car will be of normal proportions, broad enough to carry three at the back and as roomy as the average family car of medium power. It will have a top speed of 70 miles an hour and the vivid acceleration of a sports car, yet its engine, a six-cylinder, is of no more than ten horse-power.

A "baby" engine pulling a comparatively big car at such a speed is made possible partly by the quality of modern motor spirit, which allows a compression ratio of 7 to 1 to be used, and by the high rate at which the engine will revolve. With a 6 to 1 top gear it will develop over 60 h.p., at 4,500 revolutions per minute, and at full speed will turn over 5,500 times a minute.

The car, which is being built by the Invicta company, will have a low frame, so that the roof of the saloon will be barely 5 ft from the ground, though giving ample headroom, and in other respects the car will be very up-to-date, with a silent-third gear box and a special device which stops the car if the oiling system fails. The first specimens of the new car are now undergoing their final tests, and production will, it is hoped, begin at the end of August. The price at present fixed for the complete saloon is £275.

### A MOTORIST'S QUEER MUSEUM.

In a little room off Piccadilly is a very queer museum. The exhibits include a crumpled horn (cow) and a crumpled horn (deer), stuffed pheasants, partridge, a duck from Regents Park and a swan, horse-shoes, stones and a selection of golf balls.

The "curator" of the museum is Mr. Reginald Delpech, Sales Director of Triplex Glass, Ltd., and the exhibits are objects which have crashed into the windcreens of motor-cars, and have been sent by grateful owners who might have been seriously injured if ordinary glass had been fitted to their cars. Mr. Delpech is proud of his museum.

### "M.G.'s" DO IT AGAIN.

The race for the Irish International Grand Prix, held at Phoenix Park, Dublin, on June 5 and 6, resulted in another phenomenal victory for the new (supercharged) 546 c.c. Monohery Midgents, manufactured by the M.G. Car Co., Ltd., Abingdon-on-Thames. The "M.G.s" occupied first, second and third places and won the Grand Prix, the team prize and Class H.

Despite heavy rain, the outright winner Norman Black, covered the course in 3 hours 31 minutes 20 seconds, at an average speed of 64.78 m.p.h. This time, beat on handicap that of the winning "over 1,500 c.c." car, racing on the second day, by 11 seconds.

The time of the winning M.G. team of three, led by Major A. T. G. Gardner, was 10 hours, 20 minutes, 20 seconds—that is, 43 seconds less than the next team. The above figures are subject to the usual official confirmation.

### BRITISH CAR'S RECORD RUN IN SOUTH AFRICA.

On Friday last N. Blyth Clayton, driving a supercharged Austin Seven did the 1,000-mile run from Cape Town to Johannesburg in 30 hours 50 minutes, beating the Union Express Mail Train by three hours.

In spite of bad weather conditions throughout the run, a remarkable average speed of 37 m.p.h. was maintained—a striking testimony to the efficiency of the small British car under Colonial conditions.

### MOTOR CYCLE NOTES.

#### KOWLOON CLUB'S ACTIVITIES.

[By "CAMSHAFT"]

Publication of my recent comments on the Kowloon Motor Cycle Club has brought further interesting details of this excellent organization from the Secretary, Mr. Brand.

I am informed that the Club owns a matched set at the Cafeteria Beach, Castle Peak, and that it has proved extremely popular with the members. The beach is one of the best to be found on the mainland, and the club is to be congratulated on obtaining such an excellent site for their swimming activities.

Members also have the privilege of using two garages, with their accompanying equipment, without any charge whatever. One of them is the headquarters of the Gascon Motor Company, owned by Mr. Gascon, who is one of the most enthusiastic supporters of the Club, while the other is the garage of Mr. Marriott, situated at Kowloon Dock. Members who are without expert knowledge of their machines obtain excellent free service in this direction, and it might even be said that payment of the moderate membership fee ensures free service, expert advice, etc.

The Club continues to hold at least one social run each week, usually on a Sunday, and often in co-operation with the motor-cycle section of the H.K.V.D.C. The friendliest relations exist between the two clubs, and without doubt better times are in prospect for local sporting riders.

#### What About the Fair Sex?

I have often wondered, no doubt in common with many other local riders, why there are so few lady motor cyclists in the Colony. There is not the slightest doubt that our roads are among the most difficult to be found anywhere outside the sheer mountain-tracks in outlandish parts of the world, and that negotiating some of the sections is no job for anyone with a tendency to squeal and become paralyzed with fright when an emergency crops up; nevertheless there seems to be no real reason why we should not number more of the fair sex among us. So far I have seen but one lady rider in Hong Kong; she was riding a medium-powered combination, and riding it uncommonly well. Another prospective enthusiast is endeavouring to obtain a light-weight through the medium of the small advertisement columns of the Press, but I have yet to see her astride her "bus," if she really has joined our ranks.

Do the fair chaperons of Hong Kong consider that they would lose caste, as it were, if their six-cylinder riding-friends were to see them astride 500 c.c. or so of hot-looking camshaft? In the event of such being the case, I would remind them that no less a personage than His Majesty the King of the Belgians is one of Europe's most enthusiastic Norton riders, and has owned several machines of this make—and none of them were touring models. Surely what is good enough for a King is good enough for a Hong Kongite!

#### No Law-Breakers.

It is extremely interesting to note that, on the whole, Hong Kong motor cyclists are a very well-behaved crowd. It may be that their little failings are overshadowed by the brilliant performances of Chinese public-car drivers, and that as a class they are in a minority in the Colony as compared with four-wheelers; but I find it difficult to get away from the fact that motor cyclists figure very rarely in police court proceedings, at least in comparison with other road users. To perhaps we are not such hot-blooded rogues and vagabonds as some people would have us believe.

### BRITAIN'S INTERNATIONAL MOTOR-CYCLING TEAM.

#### "LOOK'S COMPETENT ENOUGH."

The Auto-Cycle Union has now selected the British teams for the International Six Days' Trial, which will take place in Italy at the end of this month, and in the current issue of *Motor Cycling* a member of the staff reviews our chances in this, the most important annual contest of the kind. His verdict is that the teams that have been chosen look competent enough for the business.

Harry Perrey captained the Trophy team last year. His experience is exceptional and he is a very steady rider. Bert Perrigo is what the hunting people call "a bad 'un to beat" in the trials game. So is Rowley. He also possesses T.T. experience and can therefore handle the Monza situation with effect. Neither Perrey nor Perrigo have ridden in the Island, but both are of a class that can cope with speed.

Incidentally, all our representatives will be mounted on 500 c.c. models. A 250 is hardly the motor for the event and there would be no point in running 350's, as that class is expected to show just the same performance as the 500's.

The Vase teams also look promising. Dennis Mansell knows how to handle a Norton sidcar outfit; N. P. O. Bradley is in the same class with a Sunbeam. Amongst the soloists, Vic Brittain and Jack Williams are T.T. men, mounted on machines they know, while F. E. Thacker is a fast motorist in a trial and Louis Welch is a steady rider who can also go quickly when required.

For the first time in recent history there will be no team of British women riders. In view of the strenuous nature of the trial, the change seems to be justified.

I understand that there is a chance that the teams may be sent over to Italy in time to do a little practising before the trial starts. In any case, our men will be under pretty strict supervision all the time. We are going to take the trial really seriously.

As regards entries from other countries, the Italians will naturally turn out in force on their home ground. B.M.W. and D.K.W. pilots are coming from Germany, while the Motor Club d'Italia has hopes of entries from France, Belgium, Switzerland, Hungary, and Sweden. Preparations are well in hand for the trial, and the final survey of the course, which had been hindered by the snow on the Alpine passes, is being completed.

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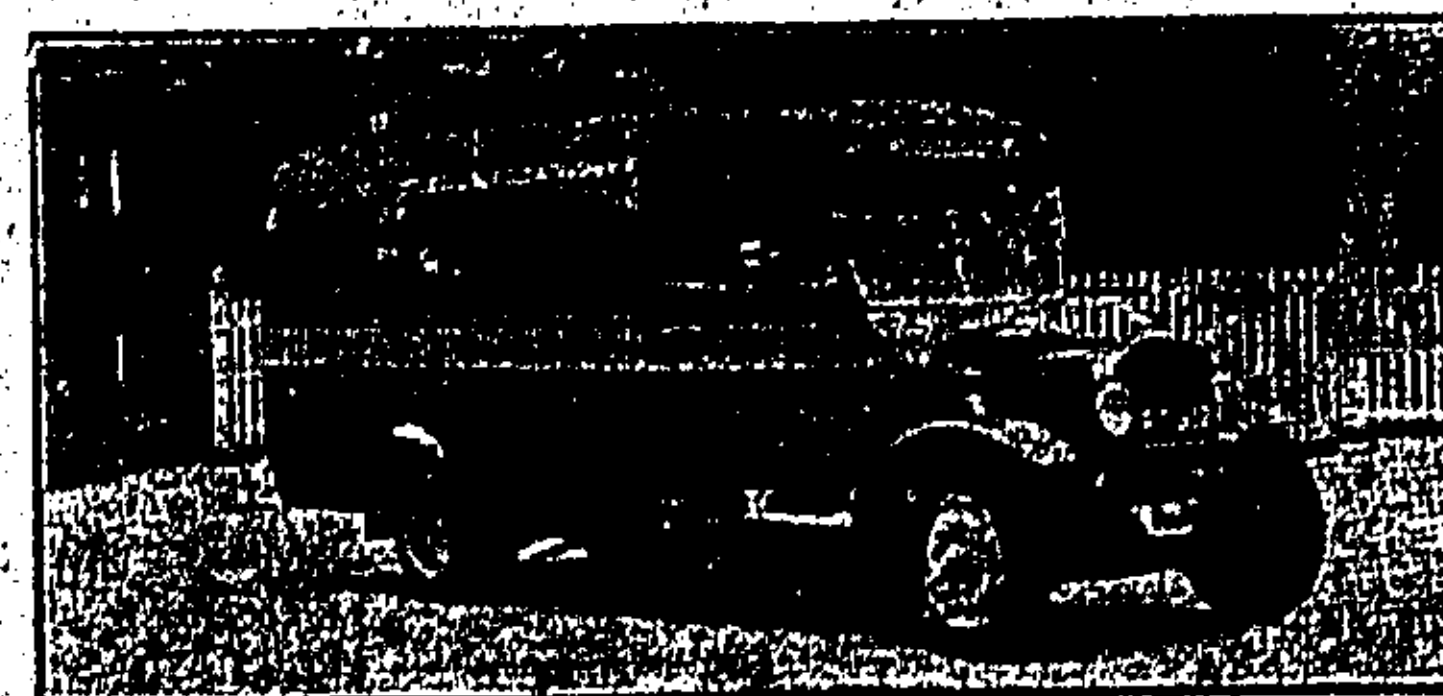
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"WAY FOR A SAILOR."

At least one player felt at home when the Liverpool waterfront scenes were filmed for "Way for a Sailor." John Gilbert's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture which will open at the Queen's Theatre on Thursday.

She is Doris Lloyd, British actress, who plays the part of Elsie in the picture, the daughter of the Albert Richard. The picture is a novel. Miss Lloyd declared the fog scenes made her homesick.

Wallace Berry is featured with Gilbert in the film, directed by Sam Wood, and the supporting cast includes Leila Hyams, Jim Tully, and Polly Moran.

## CENTRAL THEATRE.

"FAIR WARNING."

Action is the key-note in "Fair Warning," Fox Movietone outdoor romance with George O'Brien. In the leading rôle, now showing at the Central Theatre. The picture starts with a thrill and an exciting episode follows another until the climax is reached.

The opening scene discloses a picturesque valley with snow capped mountains in the background. Deep in the valley is seen a magnificent stallion.

Surveying the scene is "Whistling Dan Barry," the character enacted by O'Brien. He is mounted on a ranch horse and, after a moment's hesitation, he loosens his lariat and tears out after the stallion, finally succeeding in driving him up to a narrow ledge of rock that overhangs the lake.

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Next he transfers his saddle to the back of the steed and, loosening the rope, gains his back at the opposite shore at the stallion, emerges from the water. He is close enough now to throw his lariat and succeeds in roping the animal's front feet and throwing him.

O'Brien portrays the character of a primitive, but handsome young man who has an uncanny influence over wild animals. Louise Huntington, New York stage beauty, portrays the rôle of the girl, and the supporting cast, headed by Mitchell Harris, George Brent and Nat Pendleton, includes Erwin Connelly, John Sheehan, Willard Robertson and Alphonse Ethier.

## "HONOUR AMONG LOVERS"

One of the very few screen actresses who can laugh and talk simultaneously, is Miss Claudette Colbert. The compliment is paid her by sound technicians who recorded on the new noiseless equipment at Paramount's New York studio, "Honour Among Lovers," in which she is featured with Fredric March and which opens on Wednesday at the Central Theatre. This accomplishment, which distinguishes Miss Colbert from a great majority of actresses, is a difficult trick, according to C. A. Tuttle, monitor man on the new offering. It is an accomplishment bordering on a gift, claims Tuttle, to chuckle, as Claudette does, at the same time you speak your lines. And it adds a spontaneous quality that continues uninterrupted because of what might be called the synchronization of Miss Colbert's voice and mind.

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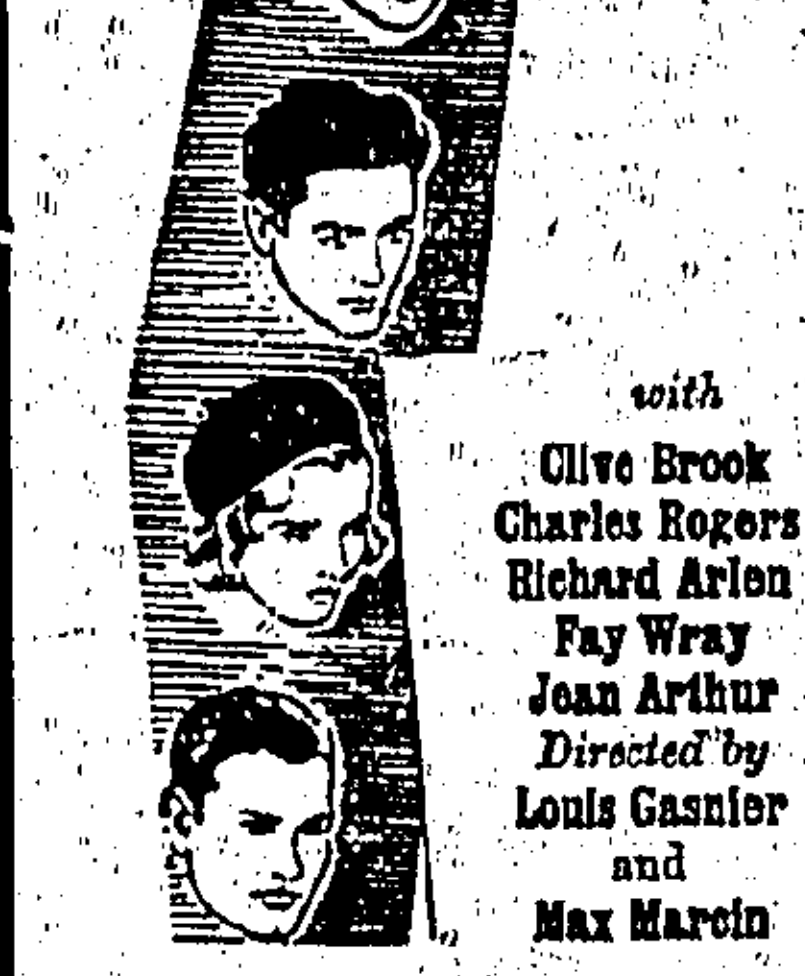
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Throwing the old Hollywood tradition that no screen career can stand an unsympathetic part to the winds, Rogers says: "Whether the rôle is good or bad, whether I prove to be a dramatic actor or not, the part will be good for me. It is the first time since 'Wings' that I have had a truly dramatic rôle."

"Because my rôle in 'The Lawyer's Secret' is my first dramatic part in a dialogue picture, I was uncertain and worried before, I started. But, when we had been working for ten days, I regained confidence, and, in this part, I learned more of the real business of acting than I did in all the lighter pictures I have made."

"I understand now what is meant by dramatic actor 'living his rôle,'" says Rogers. "I occupied all your thoughts during the period of production. Without the set formula of comedy, every scene takes mental effort and concentration."

Rogers is even glad his rôle is devoid of romance. Usually surrounded by two or three girls, he finds lack of romance a relief. He

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RED LITERATURE  
CONFISCATED.

UNCLAIMED CHESTS AT  
SHANGHAI JETTY.

Following the handing over of 27 alleged Communists to the Chinese military authorities last Monday and Tuesday, the Second Branch of the Kiangsu High Court, composed of Judges Soong (presiding), Kao and Yih, ordered yesterday the confiscation of 36,000 copies of the "Hai Kuen" and the "Red Flag," newspapers published and circulated by agents of the Communist Party.

The confiscated literature was contained in two large chests which were discovered at the Canton Road Jetty on March 4. Suspicions of several shipping brokers, who were working at the jetty on the day in question, were aroused as the two chests had been lying at the wharf for over 12 hours and yet nobody had appeared to claim ownership. On examination, the two chests were marked "silk goods." Subsequently, the shipping brokers reported the affairs to a Chinese constable on duty in the vicinity who removed the cargo to the Central Police Station and told the brokers to inform the owners of the cargo when the latter appeared at the jetty.

Left Four Months.

However, the two chests of "silk goods," after being taken to the police station, remained there for more than four months during which period nobody applied to the police for the cargo nor had the police received any reports concerning the names and addresses of the owners of the cargo. The police, therefore, decided to open the two chests last Monday and, when this was done, it was found that they were full of Communist newspapers which had apparently been taken to the Canton Road Jetty by the Reds on March 4 for transportation to some unknown place, but which had been deserted at the wharf. The seized newspapers were removed to the Second Branch of Kiangsu High Court, which, as stated, granted the police application for their confiscation.

SPAIN CONFISCATES  
PLEGGED ESTATES.

SECURITIES FOR LOANS  
GIVEN BY KING.

Madrid, August 18.—The Council of State, has sanctioned a decree under which the State will immediately take possession of all estates and rights of the Crown, which may have been pledged by the King for loans and which are now being exploited by individuals.

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—New Mayfair Orchestra—Claret.  
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6.15 to 6.39 p.m.—

Children's Programme.

Songs—(a) "Happiness," (b) "Missing," (c) "In the Fashion," (from "When We Were Very Young," by A. A. Milne, H. Fraser-Simon).—George Baker (Baritone).—B2220.

Songs—(a) "Halfway Down," (b) "Hoppy," (c) "Growing Up," (from "When We Were Very Young," by A. A. Milne, H. Fraser-Simon).—George Baker (Baritone).—B2220.

Songs—(a) "Buckingham Palace," (b) "The Three Foxes," (c) "Politeness," (d) "Market Square," (from "When We Were Very Young," by A. A. Milne, and H. Fraser-Simon).—George Baker (Baritone).—B2221.

Songs—(a) "The Christening," (b) "Brownie," (c) "Lines and Squares," (d) "Veppers," (from "When We Were Very Young," by A. A. Milne and H. Fraser-Simon).—George Baker (Baritone).—B2222.

6.29 to 6.53 p.m.—

Organ Solos.

"Londonderry Air" (arr. Stewart Archer).  
"Chelsea Fays" (Goss-Custard).—Reginald Goss-Custard.—B2275.  
"A Brown Bird Singing" (Haydn Wood).

"Schon Rosmarin" (Kreisler).—Reginald Fort.—B2204.  
7 p.m.—Stock quotations, mail notice, etc.  
6.53 to 7.25 p.m.—

Orchestral.

"A Night in Budapest" (Schaffer-Paepeke).  
"A Night in Vienna" (Schaffer-Paepeke).—Hungarian Rhapsody Orch.—B2294.

"A Hunt in the Black Forest" (Volkner).  
"In a Clock Store" (Orth).—New Light Symphony Orch.—B2208.

"Fountains of Rome" (Respighi).—London Symphony Orch.—B2220.

7.25 to 8 p.m.—  
"Double Concerto in A Minor" (Brahms).—Jacques Thibaud (Violinist), Pablo Casals (Cellist), and the Pablo Casals Orchestra, Barcelona, conducted by Alfred Cortot.—M-99.

8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.  
8.03 to 11.30 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre relay.

10.30 p.m. (approx.).—Rugby mid-day Press news.  
11.30 p.m.—Close down.

## CROWN LAND SALES.

BRISK BIDDING YESTERDAY.

Brisk bidding was witnessed yesterday at the P.W.D. when Mr. Parker-Ries sold two lots of Crown lands.

Mr. Wong Ping of 60, Wing Lok Street, bought New Kowloon Inland Lot, No. 1558, (about 9,280 sq. ft.) on Tai Po Road, Shamshui, for \$25,000. The upset price was \$16,700.

New Kowloon Inland Lot, No. 1557, (about 7,470 sq. ft.) at "Un Chau Street, Shamshui," was sold to Mr. Wong Cho Ying of 89, Kai Lung Street, for \$23,000. It had an upset price of \$14,940.

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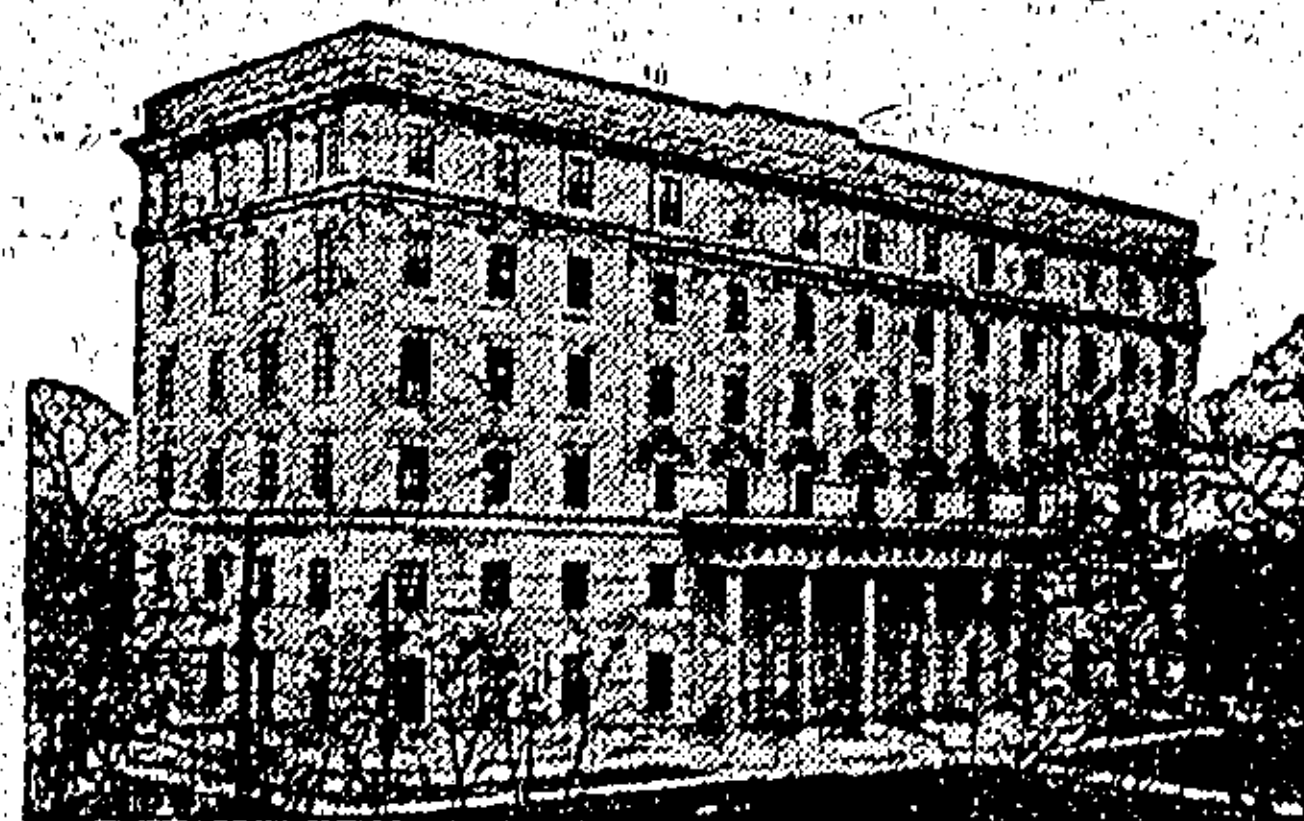
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## HONG KONG POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS ISSUED BY THE HON. MR. E. D. C. WOLFE, C.M.G., INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE.

**Aquatic Sports.**  
The attention of all Police Reservists is drawn to the programme of the 9th Annual Aquatic Sports of the Police and Prison Departments to be held at the V.R.C. on or about Saturday, September 19. It includes a special race open to members of the Hong Kong Police Reserve. Further particulars can be obtained from Gr. Sgt. R. J. Hunt, to whom all entries must be sent before September 1.

**General.**  
Revolver Practice: The regular weekly revolver practice will take place at the Bowen Road Revolver Range to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. under S. I. Hopkins, Musketry Instructor. All members of the Sharpshooters' Company who have not passed Part III. of Training Course should attend without fail.

**Training Course.**  
The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central will be held as usual to-day at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company and of the Flying Squad who have not passed Part II. of Training Course should attend.

**Chinese Company.**  
Inspection Parade: All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Friday for a general inspection of Equipment, etc., by the Company Commander. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp, under P. Sgt. R. J. Hunt. Dress: White uniform, cap with white cover; belt (without frog), truncheon, whistle, armband and badge; "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried. Those not in possession of uniform will attend in mufti. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present. Recruits will attend.

**Indian Company.**  
Commendation: Constable R233 Mohamed Asnan of the Indian Company, Hong Kong Police Reserve, is commended by the Hon. I.O.P. for zeal and alertness on June 24, 1931, by following 3 opium smugglers from Blake Pier to the s.s. Kamo where he arrested them. They had 52 tins of prepared opium concealed on their person. The 1st prisoner was fined \$1,700 or 3 months; the 2nd, \$1,500 or 7 months; and the 3rd, \$2,500 or 9 months; on June 25, 1931.

**Leave.** Constable R230 Sheikh Karim Baksh has been granted 3 months' leave, of absence from the Colony as from August 2.

**Flying Squad.**  
Strength: Constable R232 F. C. Parton has been permitted to resign, having completed one year's service with effect from August 19.

**Revolver Practice.** Revolver practice will be carried out on the Bowen Road Revolver Range on Thursday, August 27 instead of Tuesday, August 26 as previously arranged at 5.15 p.m. under S. I. Hopkins, Musketry Instructor. All members of the Flying Squad who have not passed Part III. of Training Course should attend without fail.

**Sharpshooters' Company.**  
Revolver Practice: Revolver practice will be carried out on the Bowen Road Range to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. Members will assemble on the range at that hour with belts, holsters, and revolvers. Uniform optional.

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## JEWELLER'S WINDOW SMASHED.

### TWO SOLDIERS IN CUSTODY.

At three o'clock yesterday morning, hearing a crash and the tinkle of broken glass in Nathan Road, an Indian constable made investigations and came upon two privates of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders standing beside the shattered window of a jeweller's shop. He took the two soldiers to the Taiwan Police Station.

Mr. M. Bogdanoff, the jeweller whose window was broken, stated that when he turned at the premises he found the window broken and a large stone inside the window. He found that two diamond rings and a woman's gold wrist-watch and two pearl necklaces were missing. The value of the missing articles was \$200.

It is understood that the police did not find the missing articles on the two soldiers.

The two men will be charged with larceny at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

## CASE DISMISSED.

### ALLEGED CHANGING MONEY AFTER HOURS.

On the ground that the evidence tendered by the prosecution was not sufficient, Mr. M. K. Lo successfully defended the licensee and a foki of a money changer's shop who were summoned for changing money after 8 p.m.

Sergeant Hughes stated that at 8 p.m. on August 4, in Jubilee Street, he saw three women enter a shop, the foki of which was a money changer. He noticed three notes on the counter. As he approached the foki saw him. The money was then handed back to the women, who were given a packet of cigarettes.

On August 9 at about 8.30 p.m. witness was again in Jubilee Street and saw the foki give a man some money. The man put the money in his pocket and walked away.

In reply to Mr. Lo, witness admitted that it would have been better if he had stopped the man whom he saw leaving the shop on the second occasion. The defendants carried on the usual business of money changers and cigarette sellers and, although the money business had to be closed at 8 o'clock, the cigarette business had no limit in time of sale.

Submitting that he had no case to answer, Mr. Lo, referring to the first occasion, said that defendants could not prevent anybody from trying to change money but the question was whether the defendants had changed it. The defence would be that the women wanted to change the notes but the foki had told them it was after time and they then asked to purchase cigarettes.

The foki was merely an apprentice, and the money business was carried on by two experienced men who had gone off duty at 8 o'clock, leaving the foki to carry on the cigarette business.

Mr. Lo then pointed out numerous possible explanations for the second occasion. If the evidence was equivocal the defendants had to be discharged. The man might have purchased cigarettes and received change or he might have been a foki of the business.

Speaking of the restriction imposed on money changers requiring them to cease business at 8 o'clock, Mr. Lo remarked that he understood it was for their own protection, making robberies less liable.

His Worship agreed that Sergeant Hughes had not seen sufficient and discharged both defendants.

## DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT.

DR. LUIZ L. FRANCO.

The death occurred on Saturday afternoon at his home, 11, Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon, of Dr. Luiz L. Franco, age 82.

The late Dr. Franco was previously a military doctor in the Portuguese army, with the rank of Captain and he had served both in Macao and Timor. On leaving the army he settled down in Macao and established a dispensary known as the Farmacia Popular, later opening another establishment under the name of Farmacia e Drogeria Franco Cia.

Dr. Franco came to Hong Kong sixteen years ago and he and his family had lived in Kowloon since then. He leaves a widow, three sons, two daughters and several grandchildren to mourn his loss.

Many relatives and friends were present at the funeral which took place on Sunday at the Roman Catholic cemetery. The Rev. Fr. Spada of the Rosary Church, who had known the deceased for many years, conducted the service in the Chapel and at the graveside. He was assisted by Fr. de Comati and Fr. Cantori and students from the Catholic Seminary.

## BIBLIOTHEQUE FRANCAISE.

### NOUVEAUX ARRIVAGES DE LIVRES.

Nous sommes persuades que de nombreuses personnes a Hong Kong seront heureuses de savoir qu'il existe dans cette ville une bibliotheque francaise dont le siege se trouve au Consulat General de France, Alexandre Building, Des Vaux Road Central.

Cette bibliotheque se compose de plus de 2,500 volumes choisis avec soin, et touche a tous les genres de litterature. Elle est dirigee par des membres influents de la colonie francaise et est placee sous le haut patronage de M. Defureau, de la Prade, Consul General de France a Hong Kong.

Dans un but de propagande, le comite de la Bibliotheque a decide de supprimer tout cautionnement et tout droit d'entree. La cotisation a ete reduite a la somme minime de \$1.00 par mois, payable par trimestre.

Le tresorier de la Bibliotheque, Mr. Yvon Segalen, Banque de l'Indochine, French Building, se fera un plaisir de donner des renseignements complementaires a toute personne qui lui en fera la demande.

## UNUSUAL BANDIT STORY.

### GANGSTER TAKEN BY HIRE CAR DRIVER TO POLICE.

### ESCAPE PREVENTED BY SPEEDING CAR.

An extraordinary incident connected with an armed gang occurred last Thursday in Shanghai, when a hire-car chauffeur drove his car to a French Concession police station at so rapid a rate that a member of the gang who was left in the car could not manage to escape, and was consequently arrested.

Four men shortly after 3.30 a.m. appeared at the Dah Loh hire-car garage in Rue Lafayette and hired a car. They all got in, and directed the driver to take them to the Zoo Ching Road, near Lungwa. This he did, and he was then told to drive down it.

Some distance along the road a constable of the Public Safety Bureau held up his hand for the car to stop, evidently having the intention of searching those riding in it. All three got away, the constable being so surprised that he did not return the fire.

**Surprise for Chauffeur.**  
As soon as the shot was fired the chauffeur decided that he would be safer some distance away from any impending gun battle, so he banged in his gears and trod on the accelerator, not realizing that one of the gang was left in the car. When he had gone a little distance along the road, however, he realized that he was not alone, and so he courageously drove all the faster.

The gangster had no chance of escaping from the car, because of its speed, and he had no desire to attack the chauffeur, because that would have wrecked the car and he himself might have been injured or killed. Nor was he carrying a pistol with which he might have threatened the chauffeur and intimidated him.

So the car was driven into the French Concession and to Avenue Joffre Station, where the chauffeur stopped the bandit before he could run away. The constable at the gate of the station stopped up, and escorted the pair into the charge room.

French Police inquiries indicated that the man who fired the pistol shot was probably a notorious gang leader. The arrested man was later handed over to the Public Safety Bureau.

## ALLEGED STOWAWAY.

### AMERICAN'S EXPLANATION.

A man named Caldwell, who claimed to be an American citizen, was brought before Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of stowing away on the s.s. Taiyuan from Amoy to Hong Kong.

Addressing his Worship, defendant said: "I was on the Ichang from Shanghai to Amoy. I paid my passage on this boat and in the course of my voyage, the boat went on some rocks. It took seven days to get to Amoy. After arriving at Amoy I stayed on board the Ichang for two days, and one day when I was having lunch with the officers, I was told that the Taiyuan was sailing at 9 o'clock that day. The agent was on board ship at the time and I fixed up to go on the Taiyuan. I went ashore with the intention of fixing up my passage, but the ship left Amoy at 1.30 instead of at 9 o'clock. On board ship, I offered to pay my passage by cheque but they refused to take it."

His Worship:—What is your bank?  
Defendant:—The Bank of Hawaii.

No Passport.  
His Worship:—Have you a passport?

Defendant:—I have no passport, your Worship.  
Defendant went on to say that he had been told he could get to Manila without a passport. When he was in Shanghai, the American Consul told him that it was not necessary to have one. He said he flew from Yokohama to Kobe, where he took a boat to Shanghai.

Sub-inspector Elston, who prosecuted, asked for 48 hours' remand in order to allow the defendant to prove that he was an American citizen. The American Consul here had been notified and he had asked for 48 hours to obtain more information.

His Worship remanded the defendant for 48 hours and ordered the defendant to be kept in police custody, with free access to his Consul.

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**THE HELIKON SUSPECTS.**

**INVESTIGATIONS STILL  
GOING ON.**

The three suspects from the s.s. Helikon, who were arrested over the week-end, are still in police custody, the investigations into the case not having been completed.

It will be recalled that sometime after the ship had left for Saigon on Friday, a man who had contemplated making the trip on the vessel made a report to the agents to the effect that he had seen a man on board armed with a revolver. The police were subsequently informed and they communicated with the Naval authorities who despatched the destroyer Stormcloud in pursuit of the Helikon, which by that time, was well out at sea.

About six o'clock in the evening, the Stormcloud got within sight of the Helikon when someone on board the latter vessel was seen to dump two sacks overboard—one from the port side and the other from the starboard. The destroyer drew alongside, the steamer took her back to harbour under escort when the police boarded her and for two hours carried out the investigations on board. As a result, two men and a woman were arrested and although no arms were found on board, the three are still held under suspicion, as they came from the notorious Bina Bay district.



**"A CROWN SUBTERFUGE"****COUNSEL'S VIGOROUS ATTACK ON  
NEW DEPORTATION ORDER.****ALLEGES ELEVENTH-HOUR MOVE TO  
CIRCUMVENT DEFEAT.**

Political and non-political grounds as to why a second deportation order made by the Governor-in-Council in the case of the Annamite refugee was had were placed by Mr. Jenkin before the Full Court at the continued hearing yesterday.

Counsel submitted that the issue of the second order was made at the eleventh hour when the Crown were in the "death throes," and that it was a patent substitute to circumvent certain and imminent defeat.

A new affidavit filed by the applicant stated that the object of the Hong Kong Government in taking proceedings to deport him was to secure his surrender to the French authorities of Indo-China, where his offence was punishable by death.

**"SHAM UNDER CLOAK OF DEPORTATION."**

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. F. H. Losby, of Messrs. Buis & Co., is applying before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kopp) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Lindell) for a writ of *habeas corpus* order nisi on behalf of Sung Man Cho, who is alleged to be an Annamite revolutionary leader wanted by the French Government of Indo-China, and whose deportation has been ordered by a French vessel. The Attorney-General (the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C.) is opposing the application.

Presenting his arguments, Mr. Jenkin said that he would first of all make a summary of the points under two heads, political and non-political, and he enumerated them as follows:

1.—The Courts have jurisdiction to prevent the mis-use of Executive power. This argument will apply to both deportation orders, which I shall call numbers one and two.

The orders are invalid as an abuse of powers conferred upon the local Executive. Each order is a sham in that, under the cloak of deportation, the Executive is, in truth, attempting to surrender the applicant to the French Authorities for an offence of a political character.

2.—Even if the orders themselves are valid in that, on their face, they do not disclose the duplicity, the subsequent shipping orders—to use that phrase comprehensively—of the Governor, that applicant shall be shipped on a French ship bound for Indo-China, are invalid and making an illegality.

3.—(a) The object of the Deportation Ordinance is deportation pure and simple—the getting out of the Colony of any "unwelcome guests."

(b) If there is any provision in the Deportation Ordinance capable of the interpretation, that it allows this course of conduct on the part of the Executive, it is wholly void and inoperative by reason of the Colonial Laws Validity Act, 1933.

In Conflict With Imperial Acts.

(c) The reason for this is that if such a provision exists it is in direct conflict with the Imperial Extradition Acts, which are part and parcel of the laws of this Colony, and binding on the Executive.

(d) These latter Acts, in the most express terms, forbid such a course as is now being taken by the Executive in sending the applicant to Indo-China for an offence of a political character.

4.—The proviso to section six of the Deportation Ordinance cannot avail the Executive, although it is argued here by the Crown that it expressly permits the proposed course to be validly taken, except when extradition proceedings have been actually commenced and resulted in a discharge.

5.—The second order is bad as is everything done under it because, (a) after issuing the first order the Executive exhausted its power to issue any further deportation order against this applicant at the present period.

(b) The second order was issued during the currency of the first order. There cannot be two separate orders outstanding at the same time for the same purpose.

A Subterfuge.

(c) The issue of the second order, before instead of after, the applicant's discharge, on the first order, is a subterfuge to avoid the pitfall of again arresting, for the same cause, a person discharged on *habeas corpus*.

(d) The second order can be made only if the Governor-in-Council considers it conducive to the public good and in a special case. The making of a second order was not impelled by any such considerations.

(e) The order was not made at a duly convened or constituted meeting of the Governor-in-Council.

(f) The improper intervention by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs invalidates the second order as well as the first.

Mr. Jenkin added that he was much obliged to their Lordships for taking down the points so carefully in case a matter of this moment might have to go elsewhere. In the course of quoting authorities, Counsel submitted that the Courts would jealously guard the rights of political offenders who were living within the protection of our laws, whatever their nationality, and would prevent mis-use of Executive power.

**Political Offences.**

In dealing with the deportation laws, Mr. Jenkin said that up to 1905 there was no power to deport any person. There were on the Statute books a few cases for expulsion, but the rights for expulsion were treated as non-existent. In 1905, by the Aliens Act of that year, the Imperial Parliament revived the powers of expulsion, but it was important to note that they put on the Act a prohibition for expulsion of any person for a political offence, thereby perpetuating, as Lord Clarendon when British Foreign Minister declared, that no consideration on earth could induce the British Parliament to pass a law for extradition of political prisoners.

While in a case, previously quoted, it was not clear that the person concerned was a political offender, it was clear in the case of Sung Man Cho from the interrogations by the S.C.A. official, whose affidavit Counsel proceeded to read, that the applicant was an Annamite revolutionary leader.

**Punishable by Death.**

The new affidavit filed by the applicant before the day's proceedings, was then read by Counsel. It contained the following statement: "I am 36 years of age. I was born at Tong Hing City in the Province of Kwangtung, China."

"I have been closely identified with the revolutionary movement in Annam and Indo-China generally, which movement has for its object the overthrow of all French Governmental authority there, which is supreme, and to substitute therefor a National Government under native authority. I was actively engaged in this movement for some time prior to the date of my arrest in Hong Kong on June 1, 1931."

"To take part in such a movement is to be guilty, according to such Governmental authority, of an offence warranting punishment by death."

"I am wanted by the French authorities in Indo-China for this offence."

"At my third interview with the Assistant Secretary for Chinese Affairs, he told me that the petition referred to in paragraph 8 of my affirmation, sworn on the 14th August, 1931, was undeniable proof that I was Nguyen Ai Quoc and that the best advice he could give me and the best thing I could do was to admit that I was the man. He said: 'It will be favourable for your defence.'"

"At the same interview the same official showed me a newspaper cutting reporting an item from a foreign newspaper that although extradition for a political offence is contrary to international law the Hong Kong Government could hand Nguyen Ai Quoc to the French by sending him on board a French steamer. He told me: 'That is what we will do.'"

"The true object of the Hong Kong Government in taking proceedings to deport me is to secure my surrender to the French authorities of Indo-China in order that I may be dealt with by such authorities for the aforesaid offence."

**Avoiding Court Proceedings.**

Elaborating his fourth point, Mr. Jenkin said that if extradition proceedings had been carried through and the applicant had been discharged, the Governor was debarred from sending the man to the requisitioning territory. The claim now made that the Crown were entitled to send him to a place which had asked for his extradition, Counsel submitted, was a subterfuge to avoid the carrying of the proceedings through Court.

Dealing with non-political points, Mr. Jenkin said that the Governor-in-Council had power to make one deportation order only against any named person, with the exception that he could make a further order if the person was found in the Colony after the expiration of the term of his banishment. There could not be two orders in existence at the same time against the same person and for the same purpose. There was no jurisdiction to issue a second order until the first order had been discharged. Assuming that the first order had been discharged, the man could not be re-arrested after a successful application by writ of *habeas corpus*.

Counsel continued that the second order was made on Saturday, August 15, at the eleventh hour when it was realised that the man would be discharged. That could not place the Crown in a better position by the employment of that subterfuge. If the man was arrested upon the same cause or pretext the second time, then that second arrest was illegal.

**"Abuse of Power."**

The Ordinance allowed the Governor-in-Council to make a summary order in a special case if he deemed it to be conducive to the public good. That must be the sole motive in making the order. If the Governor-in-Council was not moved by any considerations at all, then the making of that order was an abuse of power. Counsel submitted that it was an order made on Saturday, August 15, when the Crown were in their death throes in regard to the last order, and that the second order was a patent substitute to circumvent their certain and imminent defeat.

Proceeding to deal with the powers of the Governor-in-Council, Mr. Jenkin referred to the instructions laying it down that the Executive Council had to be duly convened with a quorum of three members. Instruction 8 stated that the Governor should attend and preside unless prevented owing to illness or other grave cause.

Mr. Jenkin said that he was quite in the dark and did not know what happened in Government circles in August 15. The Attorney-General had stated that the order was made and served on that day.

Counsel added: "We have been favoured under the present régime with what one might call a Court Circular, which one peruses with a varying degree of interest every Monday morning, and it states that the Governor presided over a meeting of the Executive Council. One finds difficulty in finding that a meeting took place on that Saturday, and if they tried to hold one they would have found difficulty in getting a quorum."

The Attorney-General being temporarily absent from the Court, the Chief Justice pointed out that the matter could be explained on his return. Mr. Jenkin agreed and proceeded to his last point.

**Improper Intervention.**

Dealing with the intervention of the applicant at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Mr. Jenkin said that he would put it to their Lordships that if the improper intervention of Sung Man Cho, which the Court had already upheld, resulted in the Governor-in-Council having before him, and having in mind, before making the second order, material which should never have been put before him, that must invalidate the second order as well as the first. He (Mr. Jenkin) would put it to their Lordships with some confidence that it was not conceivable that the Governor-in-Council on Saturday (August 15) deliberated from the mind everything which had gone before and started *de novo* and as though no inquiry had taken place. If the material which the first order was based upon was the first order, Mr. Jenkin had stated his arguments when the Court adjourned until this morning.

**HONG KONG STOCK  
MARKET.****YESTERDAY'S TRANSACTIONS.**

The Stock Market was steady yesterday morning and there was a demand for most stocks.

Banks were the medium of sales at \$2,000, as were Bank of East Asia at \$1,500.

Underwriters were done at \$4. There were sellers at Douglas's at \$24, but without business.

Wharves were transacted at \$163.

Providents were recorded at Saturday's rates. Hotels changed hands at \$17.45, sellers asking \$17.75, and at the close there were buyers at \$17.50. For the new shares, \$16.75 was bid but sellers wanted \$17.10 and there was no sale to report.

Lands were dealt in at \$901, but buyers were offering this figure at the end.

Shanghai Lands were in demand at \$41, but nothing passed.

Realities were wanted at \$17.30, but nothing was realised.

Trees were put through at the improved quotations of Tls. 15.20 and Tls. 16.60. Buyers at Tls. 16.60 were unable to obtain shares.

There were buyers of Trans at \$21.50 who could not connect.

China Lights were in strong demand at \$29.10.

Telephones (fully paid) were in demand at \$47, but no shares came out.

Canton Ice was wanted at \$5.10, but the rate did not lead to business.

Cements (combined) were negotiated at \$20.25, and at the close buyers were offering \$20.20, but failed to get shares.

Hong Kong Ropes changed hands at \$21.40 and \$21.45, and there were still buyers at \$21.30.

Constructions were disposed of at \$13.20.

There were sellers of Government Loan at \$1 per cent. premium.

**Afternoon's Transactions.**

In the afternoon the market was firm. Prices advanced in several directions, especially in Trans, China Lights, Cements, Ropes and Realities. The following are the changes:

Banks again changed hands at the morning rate of \$2,040.

Providents had sellers at the slightly reduced quotation of \$8.10.

Hotels (old) could have been obtained at \$17.65, but buyers did not go higher than \$17.50.

Humphreys (old) were put through at \$22.

Hong Kong Realities at the advanced price of \$17.50 changed hands.

Ews were transacted at Tls. 16.10 and at Tls. 16.80, but there were buyers at the former rate who had to remain unsatisfied.

Zong Sings advanced to a buying figure of \$12, but this quotation did not lead to business.

Trans were in demand at \$21.65, and it was reported that business had been at \$21.00.

China Lights were again a strong market. Sales were put through at rates ranging from \$28.10 to \$28.50, and there were still buyers at \$28.25.

Telephones (part paid) improved to a buying quotation of \$33.25, but this did not procure shares.

Cements were in demand at \$20.40, with sellers asking \$20.50. Sales were reported to have been done at \$20.40 and \$20.60.

Hong Kong Ropes, which were the medium of sales at \$21.50, were in demand at \$21.35.

Dairy Farms were dealt in at \$32.45, and at the close buyers were offering \$32.25.

Watsons were done at \$16.60, but there were still buyers at this rate.

Government Loan stock was transacted at \$1 per cent. premium.

**MONEY BY FALSE  
PRETENCES.****DOUGLAS GIFFORD GETS  
SIX MONTHS' HAND.**

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Douglas Gifford pleaded guilty to four charges of obtaining money by false pretences. Defendant was sentenced to terms totalling six months' hard labour.

Inspector Fallon, who prosecuted, said that the defendant had two previous convictions. His brother and sister were in Hong Kong but they would have nothing to do with him.

The charges were: (1) obtaining a sum of \$5 from a woman named Kwan-fun at Nga Tan village, by pretending that he was a policeman and saying that if the woman did not pay him this sum she would have to pull down certain pig-sties; (2) obtaining a sum of \$5 from Kong Chun at Shek Ku Ling village by similar means, pretending that he was a Sanitary Department officer; (3) obtaining a sum of \$2 from Cheng King, of Tai Yat Hang village, in a similar manner, by pretending that he was a Sanitary Department officer; and (4) obtaining a sum of \$1 from Leung Tai-chai, at Po Kwong village, in the same way.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so directed, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

**ICE HOUSE STREET.**

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—I wonder if the daily congestion of Ice House Street between Queen's Road and Des Voeux Road has ever come to the attention either of the police or the "Powers That Be." Rickshaws are parked there at all hours of the day and crowds gather to such an extent that it is impossible to use the roadway for traffic purposes.

I have never seen such obstruction allowed in any city or township. In any other place, if such a condition arose the police would at once clear the way. It is a shame that any public thoroughfare should be reserved for any one class of citizens, no matter who they are. Of course if Hong Kong is keeping Ice House street as a bit of local colour, or to show how prosperous and busy our fair city is, that is a matter of high policy for the Government to decide. But if we are to keep our only bit of local colour let us bar the common herd from the use of the street in question.—Yours, etc.

PEDESTRIAN.

Hong Kong, August 24.

**THE COMING CRICKET  
SEASON.**

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—As the cricket season is fast approaching, it would not be out of place if I made the following suggestion through the medium of your valuable paper in the hope that it will "catch the eye" of the officials of the local Cricket League.

I have followed local cricket very closely for many years and the report of the Cricket League always interests me. Unless I am mistaken, they (the League) have a balance of some \$900 on the right side, and as there seems to be no immediate need for this money, it would be a good idea if the League were to hire one of the many Cricket Instructional films that are being shown to the different Clubs and Schools in England. Such films could be hired out to the various Clubs and Schools here, and in this way, the initial outlay would soon be met. Cricketers in Hong Kong, especially school-boys, are badly handicapped through the lack of coaches and the film would make a very good makeshift coach.

Another point I would like to bring up is the lack of representative matches for players in the second division of the league. Year in and year out, "Combined League" matches are arranged for the 1st division teams while the juniors are sadly neglected. Cannot something be done for them this season?—Yours, etc.

"VERY KEEN."

Hong Kong, August 24.

**GANGSTERS OR HOAX.****THREATENING LETTER TO  
CANTON DOCTOR.**

Considerable stir was caused on Saturday in certain quarters at Canton when it became known that Dr. Wong Hang Tong, a well-known medical practitioner, had received a letter purporting to come from a bandit gang, which demanded the sum of one thousand dollars in Hong Kong currency to be paid by Friday on the twenty-fifth of the present month.

The bandits seem to have adopted the methods employed by certain American gangsters, for they implied in the letter that one of their members would meet the doctor, or his representative, at a certain spot on the Chungshan Road, and that the gang member would be wearing a fresh rose in his buttonhole. The time for the meeting was fixed, together with instructions as to what would befall the doctor if he failed to comply with the request. Some people are inclined to think it a hoax or a joke, especially when it became known that the bandit had signed the missive by the high-sounding title of "The Round the World Chevaliers of the Youthful Co-operative Society of the Republic of China." However, Dr. Wong has chosen not to approach the Bureau of Public Safety and has deposited the letter with the authorities and awaits developments. The meeting was to have taken place to-day.

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# LABOUR GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

## RAMSAY MACDONALD TO LEAD NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

LORD IRWIN FOREIGN SECRETARY.

TEN CABINET MINISTERS REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN NEW REGIME.

[REUTER AND BRITISH WIRELESS.]

LONDON, August 24.

The crisis has ended, stated Mr. Ramsay MacDonald after negotiating with Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Sir Herbert Samuel at Downing Street this afternoon, after which Mr. MacDonald proceeded to Buckingham Palace to tender his resignation.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, has tendered his resignation.

Mr. R. MacDonald informed the Cabinet at its final meeting that a National Government would be formed with himself as Prime Minister.

An official from Buckingham Palace says that the formation of a National Government is being considered. It is quite possible that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald himself will head the National Government, but the latter means the exclusion of Mr. Henderson, Mr. Graham, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Clynes and others who opposed the cuts in the Social services. Mr. Henderson's resignation will be particularly awkward in view of his imminence at the League of Nations and his election as Chairman of the Disarmament Conference, but it is not unlikely that Mr. R. MacDonald will take his place.

Lord Irwin is mentioned as the next Foreign Secretary.

### LABOUR MOVEMENT WEAKENED.

Mr. MacDonald will head the National Government in which Mr. Stanley Baldwin has offered to serve. These developments mean a disruption of the Labour Party and Mr. MacDonald and Mr. Snowden will forfeit the already wavering confidence of their many supporters, while the final result of the crisis will be to weaken the Labour movement in Britain.

The seriousness of the split is shown by the fact that ten Cabinet Ministers decline to participate in the National Government including Mr. Henderson, Mr. Graham, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Lansbury, who will carry with them a large part of the Labour members of Parliament.

A coalition of Conservatives and Liberals would have commanded 320 votes against Labour's 286; but the National Government will command a far larger vote.

### POLITICIANS VISIT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

Rugby, August 24.

At the request of His Majesty the King the heads of political parties visited Buckingham Palace this morning. The Conservative leader, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, who was accompanied by his private secretary, and the acting leader of the Liberals, Sir Herbert Samuel, had already arrived, when, at ten o'clock, the Prime Minister reached Buckingham Palace. Later they left Buckingham Palace for Downing Street where a further meeting of the Cabinet was at once held.

The Cabinet meeting lasted only half an hour. It is understood that members of the Cabinet have placed their resignation at the advice of the Prime Minister and it is reported that he will form a National Government representative of all three political parties to carry out the measures necessary to balance the Budget.

### CONFERENCE WITH OPPOSITION LEADERS.

After a week-end of important conferences it was anticipated that to-day's events would prove decisive. Yesterday's events had an important bearing on to-day's developments. The visit paid by the Prime Minister to the King, soon after his return to London, was followed, on the Premier's advice, by calls at Buckingham Palace, yesterday afternoon, by leaders of the Conservative and Liberal Parties. These events were followed by a meeting of the Cabinet at No. 10, Downing Street, last night. It lasted for nearly four hours before it dispersed when the Prime Minister again visited the King. On his return to Downing Street the Opposition leaders were called in conference by Mr. MacDonald.

The following announcement was made from Buckingham Palace this afternoon: "His Majesty the King invited the Prime Minister (Mr. R. MacDonald), Mr. Stanley Baldwin, and Sir Herbert Samuel to Buckingham Palace this morning, and the formation of a National Government is under consideration."

### A National Government?

LONDON, Aug. 23.

Router understands that conversations between Party leaders at Downing Street to-night, after the Cabinet meeting, related to the formation of a National Government.

The Labour Government has not yet resigned but resignation, it is understood, is contemplated, and it is believed that arrangements are under discussion with a view to drawing up a constitution for the new administration in which all Parties will be represented.

### Important Sunday Cabinet Meeting.

Rugby, Aug. 23.

Great importance attaches to the decision of the Cabinet which assembled at 10, Downing Street, at seven o'clock this evening for the first Sunday meeting of the Cabinet Council, which has been held for many years.

The significance of this meeting was indicated in a communiqué

## GOVERNMENT'S REPLY TO GANDHI.

LARGE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS BASELESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Simla, Aug. 23.

Gandhi's complaints of breaches by the authorities of the Delhi Peace, including allegations that the local governments have been pursuing a policy of oppression against Congress, and sensational stories of the stripping and ill-treatment of women, have elicited a detailed reply from the Government of India.

The statement issued by the Government shows that a large number of complaints were entirely baseless, and that many others have been grossly misrepresented or exaggerated.

In other cases where action has to be taken owing to illegal or inflammatory activities on the part of adherents of the Indian Congress Party, no breach of the settlement was involved, and the action taken did not exceed the requirements of the situation.

Gandhi to Visit Viceroy.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Aug. 23. After returning to Simla from Calcutta, the Viceroy called a meeting of the Executive Council, when consideration was given to Mr. Gandhi's telegram assuring His Excellency of his desire to prevent a breakdown of the Delhi Peace.

It was later announced from Bombay that Gandhi has accepted the Viceroy's invitation to visit Simla for a personal interview to clear up misunderstandings, and has left Ahmedabad.

Mr. Gandhi will be received by the Viceroy on Tuesday. It was intimated from Downing Street there would be no statement made to-night.

### Objection to Economy Proposals.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The arrival of the Opposition leaders so late after the Cabinet meeting is interpreted almost generally as meaning that the Prime Minister failed to win over the minority of opponents to the Economy Committee's proposals, and that attempts are being made to form a National Government in which all parties will be represented.

The efforts are likely to be continued to-morrow (Monday). The resignation of the Government is expected to be announced to-morrow.

### Cabinet Split.

There has been strong opposition in the Cabinet to the economy proposals which the Prime Minister and some of his leading colleagues, including Mr. Snowden, deem necessary to meet the financial situation.

Much of the Cabinet's time to-night was doubtless devoted to a fruitless effort to secure Cabinet unity.

The report that the formation of a National Government was being attempted was the climax to an evening of thrills for the thousands of spectators, who, sensing the drama of the occasion, gathered round Buckingham Palace and Downing Street.

### Pale and Depressed.

When Mr. Ramsay MacDonald emerged at 10.15 p.m. from No. 10 and headed towards Buckingham Palace, he was pale, and depressed, and it was assumed that he was conveying his resignation to the King, which opinion was strengthened when he returned so soon.

The idea was, however, dispelled when the Opposition leaders arrived and it was evident that party co-operation was intended.

One of the callers at No. 10, Downing Street was Sir Joseph Stamp, the distinguished economist and director of the Bank of England.

### Midnight Conference.

At midnight a Three Party Conference at Downing Street was proceeding. Mr. Stanley Baldwin and Mr. Neville Chamberlain joined the Premier and Sir Herbert Samuel.

Mr. MacDonald's visit to the King does not infer resignation. Mr. MacDonald spent a quarter of an hour with the King and then returned to Downing Street at 10.40 p.m.

The Cabinet meeting broke up at 10.47 p.m. Sir Herbert Samuel arrived at Downing Street shortly after the departure of the Premier from the Palace.

The Cabinet met at 7 p.m. and was still sitting at 10.15 p.m. when Mr. Ramsay MacDonald left Downing Street to go to Buckingham Palace.

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## AMERICAN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS.

MRS. HELEN MOODY WINS WOMEN'S SINGLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Aug. 23.

Though Mrs. Fearnley-Whitting-stall (formerly Miss Eileen Bonsett) played extremely well, there was no surprise in the final of the American Women's Singles Championship to-day, Mrs. Helen Wills Moody winning in straight sets 6/4, 6/1.

## PRINCE HENRY.

CONDITION SATISFACTORY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Rugby, Aug. 23. At the conclusion of the visit to Buckingham Palace of the political leaders this afternoon, the King, visited his third son, the Duke of Gloucester, who yesterday underwent an operation for appendicitis at a nursing home at Portland Place.

His Majesty spent some time at the bedside of the royal patient. The following bulletin signed by the surgeon and doctor in attendance was issued this morning: "The Duke of Gloucester has passed as expected, and his condition continues to be satisfactory." To-night's bulletin states that the Duke's condition continues satisfactory.

Rugby, Aug. 23. The following bulletin was issued this morning: "The Duke of Gloucester has had a comfortable night and his condition is satisfactory."

## WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.15 p.m., stated:—

Pressure is relatively high from N.E. China to N.E. Japan. The typhoon is now about 100 miles to the west of Naha, moving westward.

Local Forecast:—W, or variable winds, light to moderate; fine to cloudy; some local thunder showers.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

The following typhoon warning has been received by the American Consulate-General from the Manila Observatory: Manila, Aug. 24, 9.15 a.m.—Typhoon in about 127 deg. Long. E. and 20 deg. Lat. N., moving N.N.W.

## ANGLO-GERMAN WOMEN'S ATHLETICS.

ENGLAND WIN AFTER CLOSE CONTEST.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

HANOVER, Aug. 23.

After a splendid contest here to-day, England won the Anglo-German women's athletics, obtaining 58 points to Germany's 47.

## AMY HOPS OFF FOR LONDON.

LINDBERGHS AT NEMURO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Aug. 24.

Amy Johnson hopped off for London at 5.54 a.m. to-day, on the conclusion of her Japan visit.

She landed at Hiroshima at 9.30 a.m. in order to refuel, and left for Seoul at 10.20 a.m.

Osaka, Aug. 24.

Amy Johnson came back to Hiroshima at 3.45 p.m. from Fusan due to bad weather.

Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh arrived at Nemuro at 7.01 a.m. to-day. They had on the previous evening landed in a swamp on Kona-shiri Island, north of Nemuro.

## ARAB STRIKE IN PALESTINE.

POLICE OFFICER INJURED IN RIOT AT NABLUS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

JERUSALEM, Aug. 24.

A British police officer was injured on the head and ribs by a shower of stones during the rioting at Nablus, on the occasion of the Arab strike throughout Palestine, as a protest against sealed armories in Jewish villages. The police were obliged to fire at a crowd of demonstrators who refused to disperse. Six demonstrators were seriously injured.

The military have now taken charge, while armoured cars and reinforcements have been summoned.

## TOLAN BEATS OWN RECORD.

100 METRES IN 10 3/10 SECS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

VANCOUVER, Aug. 24. The American Eddie Tolan bettered his own world record covering a hundred metres in 10 3/10 seconds, beating his previous record of 10 2/5 seconds.

## ABYSSINIA TO FREE SLAVES.

TWO MILLION PEOPLE TO BE LIBERATED.

London, Aug. 19.—All slaves in Abyssinia, who it is believed, number two million, are to be liberated. The decision to suppress in his kingdom this old custom of slavery has been reached by Ras Tafari, the Emperor of Abyssinia, who explains his intentions and plans in a letter to the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society in London.

In the picturesque language of the Ethiopian monarch, Ras Tafari reminds the Society that traffic in slaves has already been prohibited, and says that in some of the worst cases of contravening the prohibition the death penalty has been inflicted. His Majesty foresees legislation to facilitate the further step of freeing all slaves still owned by the public, but utters a warning that discretion is necessary in dealing with a task of such delicacy. Moreover, "there is," he points out, "a vast difference between slavery as understood in Europe and America and the form in which it exists in Abyssinia, since Abyssinian owners are not averse to seeing slaves held posts; own property, embrace Christianity and learn trades."

The Emperor's intentions, however, are far from being "more talk" and, as an earnest of his sincerity, he has accepted the Society's offer to send a delegation to advise and help in this work.

## DANCED 752 HOURS FOR £100.

GIRL WINNER OF CONTEST WEARS OUT 20 PAIRS OF SHOES.

The Paris "dance marathon" ended at four o'clock last month the winning couple having danced for 752 hours.

The winners are Mr. Ted Stanley, of Miami, Florida, whose partner was a French girl. The reward for their efforts is a prize of £100.

Both had to be carried off the floor when the competition ended. When they were capable of speech they declared: "Never again!" The girl had worn out 20 pairs of shoes and the young man eight.

The second prize is won by a couple who dropped out on the previous day when the male partner sprained a leg in attempting fancy steps in a semi-conscious condition.

The promoters of the contest, which was held at the Medrano Circus here, declare themselves satisfied with the results, but state that they will not attempt to stage such a contest in London.

The "dancers" who shuffled round the hall to the insistent notes of a gramophone, were allowed a fifteen-minute rest every hour. The circus was open day and night, and spectators encouraged. The semi-conscious dancers to greater activity by offering prizes totalling £1,500 on their own account.

## JUNGRAU CLAIMS MORE VICTIMS.

BRITISH MOUNTAINEERS LOSE LIVES IN ASCENT.

Jungfrau, Aug. 24.—Three British mountaineers, R. H. E. Peck, H. K. Beshaw, and W. E. Downes, were killed to-day while climbing the Jungfrau. They had reached the summit and had started their descent when the accident occurred.

## YANGTZE VALLEY FLOODS.

\$1,000,000 FOR RELIEF WORK.

[Fah Tse Yat Pao.]

SHANGHAI, Aug. 24.

In view of the grave flood situation in Hupei Province, Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has authorized the Nanking Financial Department to appropriate immediately a sum of \$1,000,000 for the relief of the flood sufferers.

## CENTRAL CHINA AN INLAND SEA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, August 24.

The air-voyage from Nanking to Hankow now is a trans-ocean flight, for central China lies beneath a tideless sea. Under water are countless villages and hundreds of small towns over which junks sail without obstruction. It is a spectacle which is both magnificent and appalling.

An astounding fact is that only one per cent. of foreign property in Hankow is insured against floods and at present it is impossible to estimate the losses arising from damage to property and cargo, but it must run into many millions of dollars. Moreover, business will be at a standstill for months. The tea crop for which central China is famous is ruined; the trees on the hillsides are safe, but the leaf cannot be picked and cured.

Hunger is already working among the refugees. Yesterday when soldiers were engaged in moving a quantity of grain from a godown in the native city, a large body of refugees attacked the soldiers and attempted to seize the grain. A hand to hand fight ensued but other troops arrived in sampans armed with machine-guns and quelled the trouble.

## GERMAN "BLAZING" CAR MYSTERY.

MURDER STAGED IN ORDER TO DRAW INSURANCE MONEY.

Berlin, August 17.—A new sensational insurance murder the third within a period of twelve months, has been unearthed in Southern Germany.

The case started with the discovery of a blazing car near the Black Forest. Spa Herrnhals in which after the fire was extinguished, the police found the charred remains of a body who was at first believed to be the owner of the car, a motor dealer from Bingen-on-the-Rhine, named von Locum.

Subsequent inquiries, however, have led the police to the belief that von Locum is still alive and hiding, after having killed a tramp and set fire to his car. It was ascertained that the automobile dealer had committed during the last few months numerous frauds and forgeries, involving some 200 firms, the total amount of over a million marks. It was further more found that von Locum quite recently only some weeks ago took out a heavy insurance policy in case of death by accident, payable to his wife, whose payment has been stopped.

The theory that the dealer may have committed suicide in order to escape his difficulties is ruled out by the fact that during the war he sustained a skull wound and had a piece of silver fitted into the cranium. Not a trace of silver, however, has been found either on the victim nor in the car, which is taken to be as conclusive evidence the former is not identical with von Locum.

## GERMANY'S NEW CALAMITY.

800,000 MUNICIPAL WORKERS THREATEN STRIKE.

Berlin, Aug. 18.—With the threat of a strike of all municipal employees throughout Germany looming large, Minister of Labour, Dr. Stegerwald, to-night made an eleven-hour attempt to prevent what is generally conceded will be a calamity.

The compromise drawn up by Dr. Stegerwald provides for a sliding system of wage cuts, to take the place of the abrupt wage reductions against which the employees propose to strike. It is, however, doubtful whether this proposal will be accepted as the unions are opposed against any reduction whatsoever, while the municipalities, pressed hard by the Federal Government to conform with the wage paid in the Federal civil service and by the Administration of German Railways.

On the 800,000 men who would be involved in the strike, nearly 60 per cent. are engaged in public work, such as power plants, gas works and street cleaning.

## KOREAN RIOTS SEQUEL.

CHINA SENDS THIRD NOTE TO JAPAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Aug. 24.

With reference to the Korean riots, which had their beginning in July during which, according to the Chinese investigations, one hundred and forty Chinese were killed, 1,150 seriously wounded, and the loss of property and goods estimated at \$3,000,000, the Nanking Foreign Office this morning delivered a third Note to the Japanese Minister, Mr. Shigemitsu. The Note insists that the Japanese authorities in Korea failed to give the Chinese nationals proper protection both before and during the outrages, and that the Japanese Government should be held responsible.

The Note further demands that the perpetrators of the outrages and delinquent officials be punished, and demands formal apology from the Japanese Government, compensation for loss of life and property and a guarantee of the non-occurrence of such outrages in future.

## GERMANY AND ALLEGED ARMS DEAL.

FEELING IN CANTON.

[CENTRAL PRESS.]

CANTON, Aug. 23.

The agitation against Germany has gathered momentum, though it is not so serious as generally believed. A meeting at the Provincial Kaomintang yesterday adopted a resolution requesting the National Government to sever economic relations with Germany. Mr. Eugene Chen is studying the matter and will deal with it accordingly.

The resentment is more marked against Chiang Kai-Shek than against Germany, as the former imported German military advisers and poison gas experts in order to carry on a war with Canton by using weapons which are prohibited by international treaties.

According to German circles in Shanghai, Germany no longer manufactures any arms and ammunition, as munition factories in that country were all closed down by virtue of the Treaty of Versailles. However, it was admitted that the Nanking Government ordered large consignments of arms and ammunition from a German firm which secured the goods from munition factories in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, and Austria.

## MR. EUGENE CHEN'S RETURN.

CANTON, Aug. 23. Mr. Eugene Chen, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Mr. Chen returned to Canton yesterday at 4 p.m. by the steamer Kinsan from Hong Kong. They were accompanied by Mr. Foo Ping Shuang, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Messrs. Liu Chi Wen, Lin Yau Kian and Kan Chia Hau.

## CANTON ROUNDS UP REDS.

35 EXECUTIONS INCLUDING 5 WOMEN.

[Fah Tse Yat Pao.]

CANTON, Aug. 24.

Altogether 35 of the 50 "Reds" arrested in Canton as a result of a series of raids on Communist haunts made recently, have been executed by the Canton Police in the past days. Of those executed five were women Communists.

## BISHOP'S APOLOGY TO CONGREGATION.

FORGOTTEN DOCUMENTS.

Altrincham.—A large congregation assembled at Bowden Parish Church in anticipation of seeing the institution and induction by the Bishop of Chester of the new Vicar, the Rev. H. W. Haworth, formerly of Christ Church, Crewe, but the Bishop had left essential papers at Chester and the ceremony could not be proceeded with.

After the singing of a hymn the Bishop ascended the pulpit and expressed his deep apology to the congregation for having forgotten the documents, which were necessary for the institution and induction ceremony. He said they could, of course, offer their prayers for the Vicar, but in the absence of the legal documents they could not conduct the interesting ceremonies which they had all come to witness.

It is understood that the institution of the Vicar will take place privately, and that at a later date there will be a public service in the church for his induction.



# Sports News

## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

### SENATORS DROP TWO GAMES

### CARDINALS SPLIT TWIN BILL WITH PHILLIES

New York, August 19. Playing in Philadelphia to-day the St. Louis Cardinals and the Philadelphia Phillies divided the honours in a double-header, the Quakers winning the opener by a score of 3 to 2 and the Redbirds coming back to take the nightcap to the tune of 8 to 4.

Another twin bill was split at Ebbetts Field in Brooklyn where the Chicago Cubs defeated the Brooklyn Dodgers by a score of 4 to 1 in the first game. The Dodgers took the second game by a score of 4 to 3, however.

There was a close game at the Polo Grounds here in New York where the Giants nosed out the Cincinnati Reds by a score of 6 to 5. Rain at Boston made it impossible for the Braves and the Pittsburgh Pirates to play their scheduled game.

### Senators Lose Twice

In Cleveland the Indians played excellent baseball to whip the Washington Senators twice. The Indians won by scores of 10 to 6 and 10 to 8 while out in St. Louis the Browns went on a rampage to defeat the New York Yankees by a score of 7 to 2. In Detroit the Boston Red Sox tamed the Tigers by a score of 9 to 5 and in Chicago the Philadelphia Athletics won from the White Sox by a score of 4 to 2.

The Giants game was won after they had come up from behind to stage a ninth inning rally which netted two runs and victory.

Darry Vance twirled splendid baseball for the Dodgers to-day. He fanned nine would-be batters.

### Score and Standings

Following are the scores:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
First Game	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	3	6	0
Philadelphia	3	10	1
Second Game	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	8	13	1
Philadelphia	4	6	3
First Game	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	5	0
Brooklyn	1	7	2

Second Game			
Chicago	3	10	2
Brooklyn	4	7	0
Cincinnati	5	8	3
New York	6	10	1

(Pittsburg at Boston, postponed because of rain.)

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
First Game	R.	H.	E.
Washington	6	7	0
Cleveland	10	12	2
Second Game	R.	H.	E.
Washington	3	12	1
Cleveland	10	13	2
New York	3	11	0
St. Louis	7	10	0
Boston	9	12	2
Detroit	8	15	5
Philadelphia	4	12	1
Chicago	2	7	3

Following are the standings of the baseball clubs in the major leagues after the games of Wednesday, August 19:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	76	42	.644
New York	65	49	.570
Chicago	64	53	.547
Brooklyn	61	59	.508
Pittsburg	57	58	.495
Boston	55	59	.482
Philadelphia	47	73	.395
Cincinnati	42	76	.367

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Philadelphia	82	31	.725
Washington	69	45	.605
New York	65	49	.570
Cleveland	55	59	.482
St. Louis	49	65	.429
Boston	47	69	.405
Chicago	46	69	.400
Detroit	45	71	.389

### LONDON LOSES BOUT FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

### BERG AND CANZONERI TO FIGHT IN NEW YORK

New York, August 18.—It has now been decided that the fight between Kid Berg (England) and Tony Canzoneri (America), for the world's light-weight championship, will take place in New York on September 10, instead of in London.

## LEAGUE TENNIS.

### "C" DIVISION

I.R.C. UNIVERSITY.  
Playing at home I.R.C. lost to the University by 7 to 1 sets.

Scores:—  
L. Oppenheim and L. A. da Silva  
drew with F. M. el Arculli  
and H. O. Hoosen ..... 6-6

beat A. M. Rumjahn and  
A. R. Suffad ..... 6-3  
lost to S. A. R. Bux and  
M. P. Madar ..... 4-6

P. L. Tan and A. L. Tai  
beat Arculli and Hoosen ..... 6-4  
beat Rumjahn and Suffad ..... 6-4  
beat Bux and Madar ..... 6-3

P. P. Khoo and K. M. Lo  
beat Arculli and Hoosen ..... 6-4  
beat Rumjahn and Suffad ..... 6-4  
beat Bux and Madar ..... 6-3

### CONSTABLE TAKEN FOR FOOTPAD

### MIDNIGHT COMEDY

A midnight encounter between a youth and a policeman in plain clothes, in which each mistook the other for a thief, was described at Stevenage, when Ernest Tinsley (20), of Ilammarsh, Yorkshire, was charged with house-breaking.

P.C. Dunsby said that he was walking along the Great North Road soon after midnight, when he met Tinsley, and questioned him. Tinsley suddenly bolted. He followed and, finding him in a house which was temporarily unoccupied, arrested him.

Tinsley explained that he had just been discharged from the Tank Corps, and was walking to his home in Yorkshire. When the constable, who was in plain clothes, stopped him and asked if he had any money, he became frightened. He thought the constable was a footpad.

He ran away and broke into the house, took a roller from a towel rail in the bathroom to protect himself, threw a vase through the window, and shouted to attract attention. He had no other thought than to prevent himself from being robbed.

He was discharged.

## "YOU GOT TO HAND IT OUT TO LONDON"

(Continued from Page 1)

listing: "It was there at Paris, I saw it at the Gare."

"I tell you I put it in the grip, Sadie."

"Well, it isn't there now, Luther. The only thing I bought in France for Mama! You must have taken it out in the train."

The King Business.  
Boanerges breaks in on our problems: "St. James' Palace, the ancient home of the kings of England, last inhabited by George III."

"That was the old king we—now used solely for lovers and diplomatic receptions."

"Where does the Prince of Wales live?"

The guard mounting. A superb counter-point of black and scarlet. The slow march, stately to an air of Mozart. A sergeant-major with legs like piston rods. The colour, to which, wondering a little at the odd emotion that tugged suddenly at our hearts from a dim ancestral past, we doffed our hats. Then, like schoolboys, in the wake of the band to Buckingham Palace.

"What's that flag?" The personal flag of King George. "I've heard that, Millie! Means the king is in residence."

"Has the Prince got a flag, too?" The fair New Englander had a one-track curiosity.

As we climbed into the coach once more we thought that the fellow who created that little show could ask any price he wanted on Broadway. And get it. We were even ready to admit that something about it all had got through our armour of unrepentant determination not to be impressed. "I'm as democratic an American as there is, but—"

The king business!

That's Architecture.

"We looked at the Duke of York's house. Funny, a son of the king's just living in a street like other folks." And painfully we worked out where Princess Elizabeth came in the order of succession to the throne.

The Albert Memorial. "Now, say, that's architecture!" And so by Belgravia, urbane, with almost a village quiet, but with an indefinable something—we decided it was "style"—to the Abbey.

The throne and the Stone, and jokes about the generosity of the Scots in letting the English keep anything so valuable. We looked at the stone admirals and statesmen in their sham Roman draperies.

Look at this fellow in his night-shirt. Now just why hasn't he taken his wig off?

Small wonder that daughter of James I. died in infancy. "Did you ever see a child wrapped up like that?" We laughed at the beumen of Ben Jonson who cut down his own funeral expenses by taking only two feet of Abbey soil instead of six and had himself buried upright. "That fellow had no flies on him. A poet, you say? Well, now."

At Charing Cross, Double Bass bought another edition of the newspaper.

"Boys, those stocks are falling point by point."

The Bear, uttering a bellow, began to make calculations on the back of a tourist agency's circular. The Bull made a sound which I took to express an instant desire to hibernate.

"Eldred!" said his wife reprovingly.

—and to the brother of a girl in her own sorcery! Can you beat it?"

—that blue is Mama's favourite colour, too. No, it's no use blaming it on the Customs men, Luther."

Touch of Home.  
In Fleet-street we read the names of our own great newspapers on the walls and felt quite at home. The cool, sawdust-shed depths of a famous tavern. "Still the haunt of famous men of letters," announced Boanerges, and the hard-bitten advertising men at the bar winked to one another.

Pigeon pie must be a good dish for the winter weather, we decided, but we were not anxious to go to the top of St. Paul's after lunch.

We thought the new Bank of England would be mighty fine, but—"Say, do you see that statue's legs?"

"That's symbolic, I guess. Solidity of British credit."

Standing too long behind a cash desk, I'd say.

As the Tower the sudden blaze of the Crown Jewels ("they should give you smoked glasses for this") made us understand the feelings of the late Colonel Blood better than before. We gazed fixedly at a corner of the Bloody Tower as if the two princes might appear at any moment.

"These old kings could have taught Capone a thing or two."

Evening. Fleet-street again. A late night final for Double Bass. "Say, folks, a jump in Wall-street prices. What do you know about that?"

The Bull looked as if he had known about it all the time.

## NO CARELESSNESS IN CANTON

### \$50 FINE FOR KNOCKING DOWN A POLICEMAN

A serious accident befell a traffic policeman while he was on duty on the Bund at Canton a few nights ago and resulted in his being taken to hospital where he now lies in a critical condition. The affair happened during the late hours whilst a heavy shower of rain was falling. A motor-car ran into a policeman and knocked him down. The driver of the car was immediately arrested and taken to the Bureau of Public Safety. The accident had a sequel the following morning when the driver was brought before the police court and fined fifty dollars for negligent driving. The excuse that the driver gave for the apparent negligence was that it was an extremely dark night and this, coupled with the fact that heavy rain was falling and obscuring the view, and also that the policeman was wearing dark clothing, was responsible for the accident.

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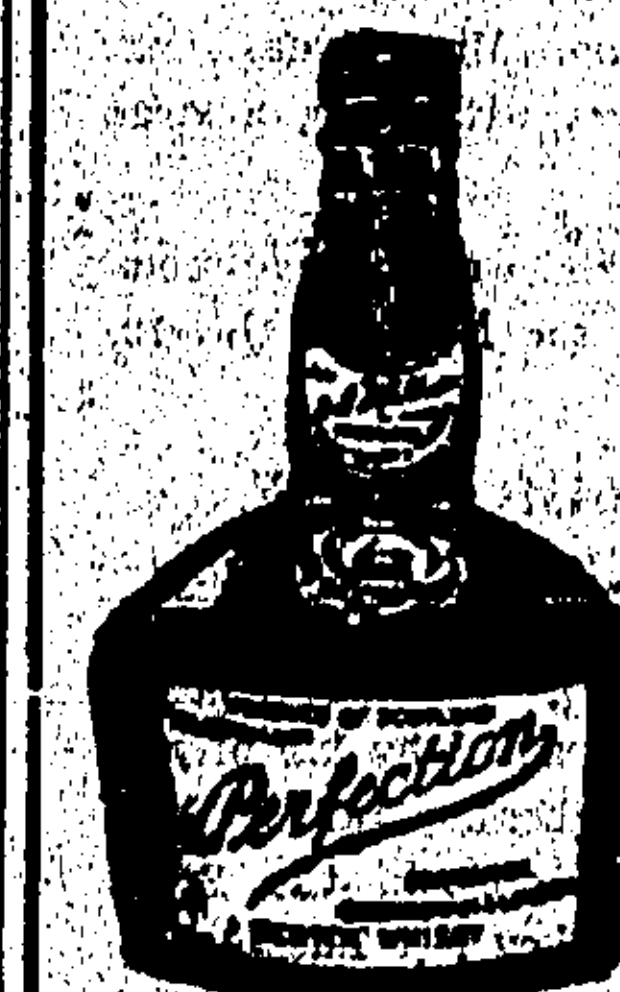
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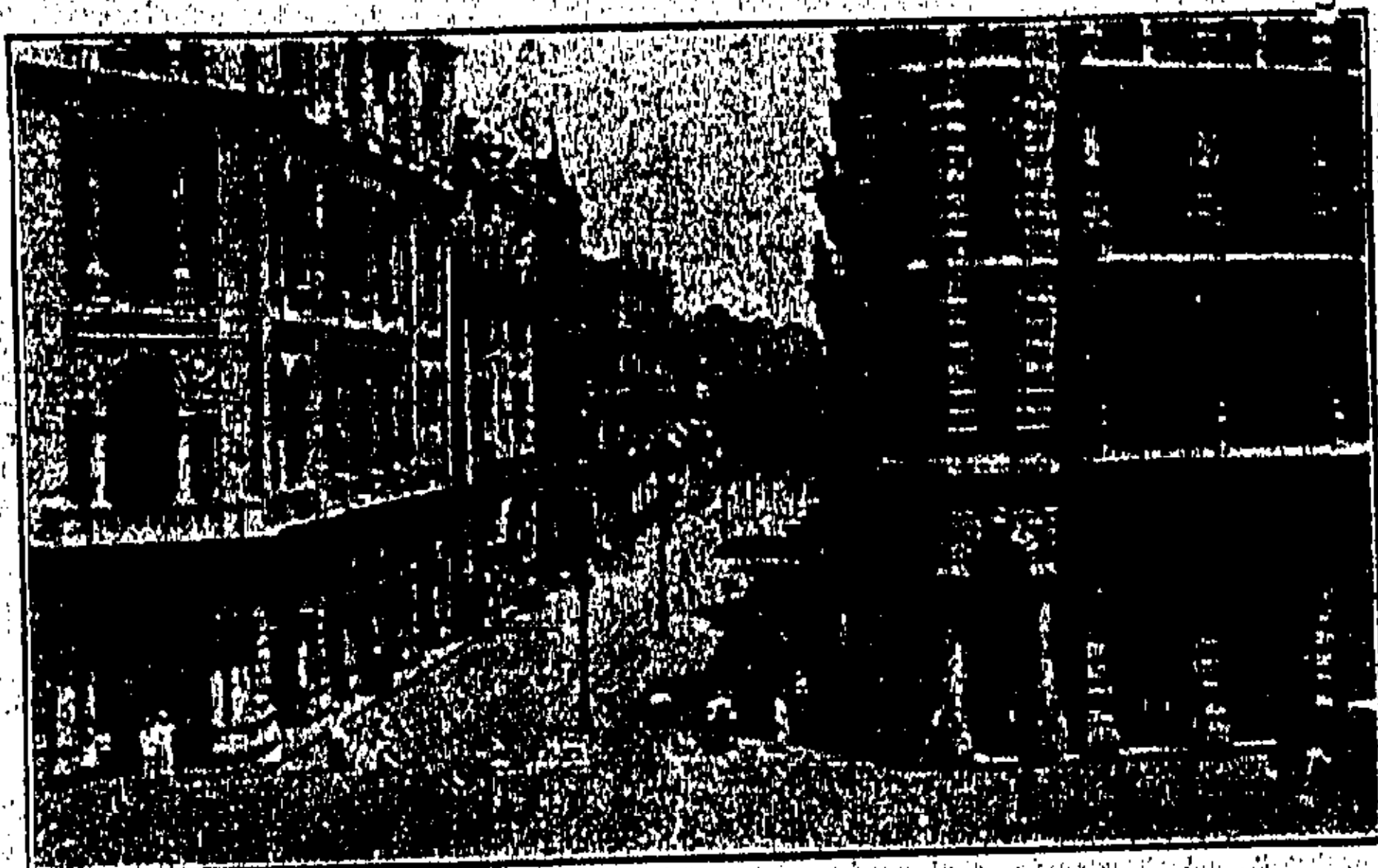
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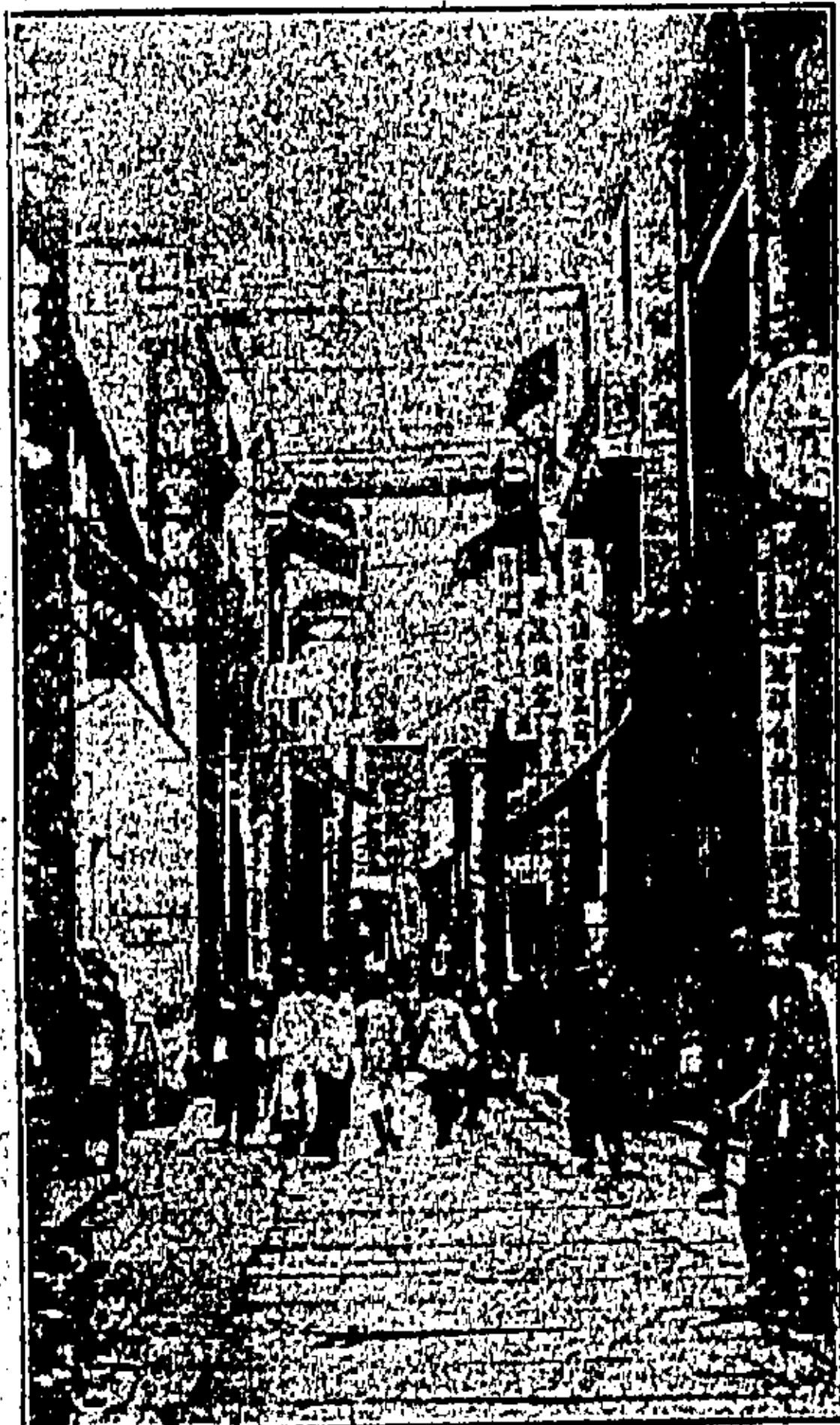
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### THORBURN INQUIRY NOT COMPLETE.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION COMPELS MORE INVESTI- GATIONS.

London, Aug. 27.—Inquiry at the Foreign Office here reveals the fact that the official report of the second inquiry into the disappearance of Mr. John Hay Thorburn has not yet been received. The results of the investigation made by the Vice-Minister of War, General Chen Yih, has not been forwarded by Sir Miles Lampson, H.M. Minister. Whitehall thus has no official knowledge of the substance of General Chen Yih's findings, which were reported in the Press to correspond with the findings of the first commission of inquiry, denying that any foreigner at all was involved in the shooting incident which, it is alleged, was the reason advanced for the arrest of the young Briton.

Semi-official reports from Chinese Government sources state that the inquiry of General Chen Yih into the disappearance of Mr. John Thorburn is not complete. It is believed that further information has been received necessitating inquiries which are now being made. The report is therefore not yet fully drafted for submission to the Foreign Ministry.

It will be recalled that, on Saturday, a Renter message from Nanking stated that the report which was "nearly completed" threw no further light on the case and reiterated the statement that no foreigner had been arrested. On this message the N.C. Daily News pointed out the serious implications of the adoption by the Chinese Government of so fantastic a report.

### RAPPROCHEMENT IN ROME.

#### FASCIST DISPUTE WITH VATICAN.

#### MEDIATORS BEHIND THE SCENES.

Rome, Aug. 18.—Some considerable progress has been made towards a solution of the dispute between the Vatican and the Fascist authorities which recently threatened to revive in embittered form the historic quarrel which was closed by the signature of the Lateran Treaty.

Although no overt action has been taken, mediators have been busy behind the scenes, and there is very hope that, when ministerial activities are resumed after the holidays, these unofficial contacts will result in the re-opening of diplomatic negotiations, which will end in reconciliation.

It is significant that the Pope this morning granted a long private audience to Father Cacci Venturi, former Secretary-General of the Jesuits, who has been acting as mediator between the Vatican and Italian Government.

Cardinal Gasparri at Vatican.  
Rome, Aug. 19.—The former Papal Secretary of State, Cardinal Gasparri, returned to Rome to-day from a lengthy holiday on his estates. Immediately after his arrival, Cardinal Gasparri had a long audience of the Pontiff, following which there circulated a rumour to the effect that Cardinal Gasparri would before long resume the post of Secretary of State, which he vacated in favour of Cardinal Pacelli, who is credited with the wish to resign.

While it is known that Cardinal Pacelli will not occupy his present position much longer, informed circles outside the Vatican doubt whether he will be succeeded by his predecessor. Cardinal Gasparri, it is believed, however, will now assume an important rôle in the efforts to come to an agreement with the Italian Government, because he was the spiritual father of the Lateran Treaties from which the present conflict arises and which are said to be at the root of Cardinal Pacelli's wish to resign.

### COMING?



### AMERICAN-ORIENTAL FINANCE CORPORATION.

#### COMMENT ON CHART SHOW- ING A.O.F.C. AVERAGE.

An aggressive, active market in Shanghai during the past week has carried the A.O.F.C. Average into new high territory for the year. Since Tuesday of last week, the movement has been from 26.93 up to 27.77. This is the best sustained and sharpest advance since early in the year when the A.O.F.C. Average, which is compiled by the American-Oriental Finance Corp., gained more than 12 per cent. in a month.

Since May, the Shanghai market has shown tendencies to work

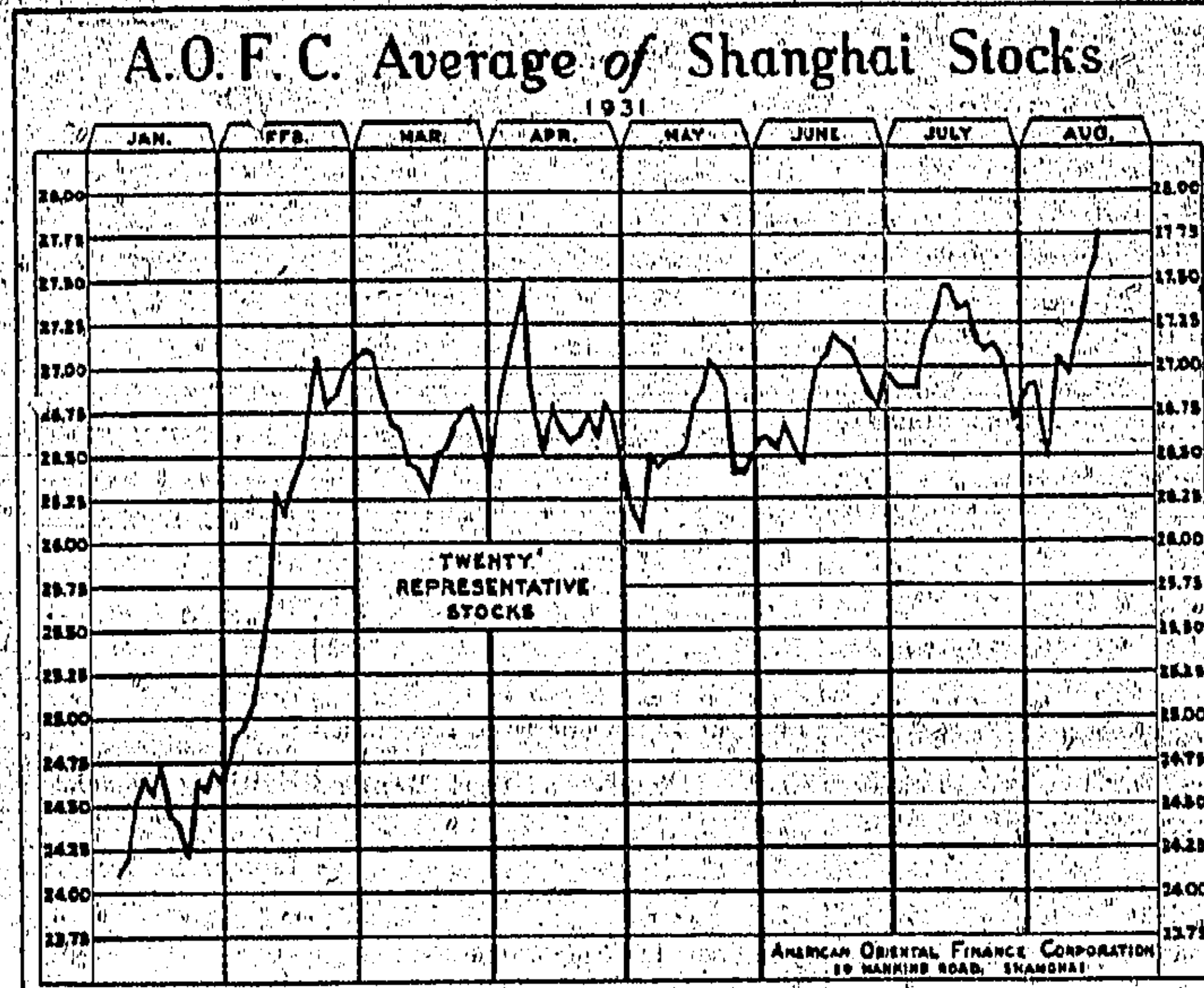
higher. Each upward spurt in the movement of the A.O.F.C. Average has carried a little higher than the previous one. This is somewhat in contrast with the course of prices on other stock markets which have been adversely affected by generally poor economic conditions. Market movements are controlled basically by economic conditions, and the A.O.F.C. Average is designed to reflect economic activity centering at Shanghai. The twenty stocks are selected from each of the eight official Shanghai Stock Exchange groupings with most stress placed on their representative value. The A.O.F.C. Average therefore is not highly sensitive to an individual stock's sensational movements that may have no economic basis.

Business men, governmental bureaus and students of economic conditions may find the graph of the A.O.F.C. Average most useful. The curve may suggest much to anyone interested in Chinese markets. The trend upward indicates basic industries are progressing and taking an increasing amount of business from imports.

For financial people interested in Shanghai stocks, the manner in which the market has been favourable to trading is of interest. The sharply defined swings indicate recurring opportunities that should have been gratifying to traders.

The statistical record of the A.O.F.C. Average has been as follows:—

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High for year Aug. 18 27.77  
Recent low point Aug. 6 26.54  
Aug. 18 27.77



### ALLEGED FRAUD.

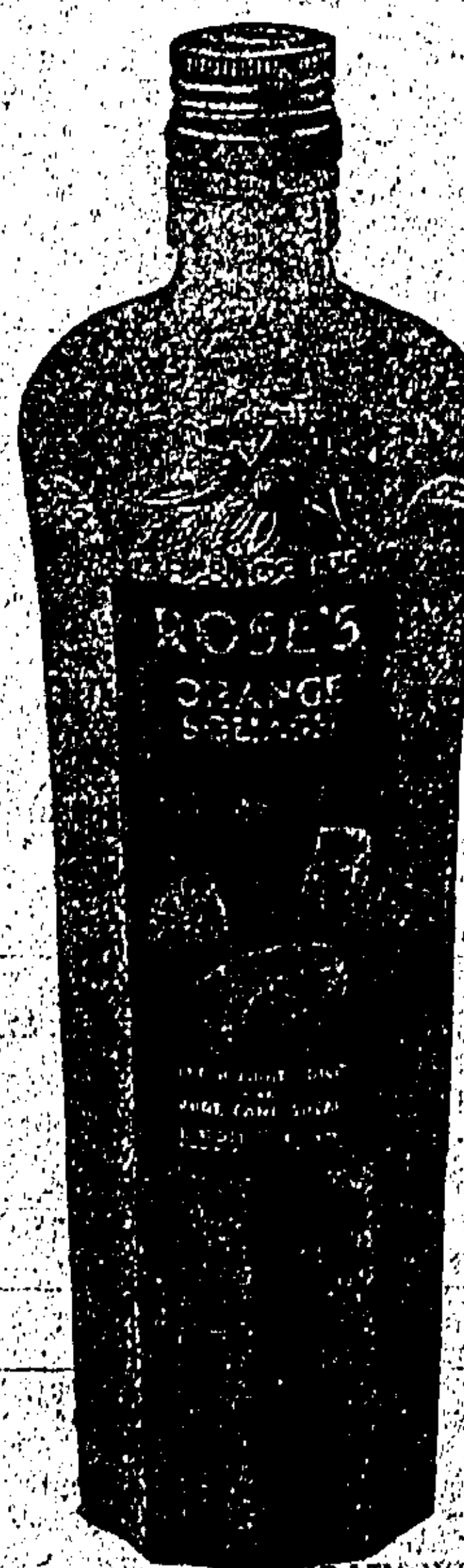
#### ANOTHER MAN "WANTED"

Another man is wanted by the police in connection of the alleged fraud on a Chinese journalist of 6, Caine Road, who is said to have been defrauded of \$7,000.

Posters have been posted for several days offering a reward of \$500 for information leading to the arrest of Guilherme A. d'Aurijo Guimaraes, alias William Guimaraes, alias Kam Chi-so, who is wanted in connection with the alleged fraud.

The alleged fugitive is described as being of slim build and of pale complexion. He is 33 years of age and of medium height. He speaks Portuguese, English and Chinese.

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## ARRIVALS.

August 23.  
Chinese Prince, British str., 3,680 tons, Capt. E. E. Jones, from Shanghai, buoy No. A7—Furness (Far East), Ltd.  
Groningen, Dutch str., 752 tons, Capt. J. H. Kop, from Amoy, Taikoku, A.P.C.  
Hongkong, British str., 3,975 tons, Capt. D. M. Hood, from Amoy, Taikoku, A.P.C.  
Kwaiyang, British str., 1,680 tons, Capt. A. C. H. Ho, from Hoihow, buoy No. A10—B. & S.  
Ryujin Maru, Japanese str., 609 tons, Capt. N. Kitano, from Keelung, Yaumati Anchorage—M.B.K.  
Shantung, Swedish str., 3,982 tons, Capt. H. W. Borin, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—Gilman & Co.  
Taliuan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. R. Robertson, from Amoy, buoy No. B3—B. & S.  
Tijsondori, Dutch str., 5,019 tons, Capt. J. Schol, from Amoy, buoy No. A6—J.C.J.L.

August 24.  
Anhui, British str., 2,090 tons, Capt. R. Ashby, from Hoihow, buoy No. B1—B. & S.  
Bendora, British str., 3,495 tons, Capt. W. F. Milne, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—Gilman & Co.  
Cheongshing, British str., 1,290 tons, Capt. J. D. Burleigh, from Canton, buoy No. B1—J. M. & Co.  
Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,293 tons, Capt. E. Sanna, from Swatow, Stonecutters Anchorage—O. S. K.  
Kueichow, British str., 1,230 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Wei-shaiwei, buoy No. C5—B. & S.  
Luchow, British str., 1,221 tons, Capt. J. Grosset, from Swatow, buoy No. B24—B. & S.  
Michael Jensen, Danish str., 1,342 tons, Capt. H. Inland, from Hoihow, buoy No. B16—Chin Song Hong.  
Nanning, British str., 1,483 tons, Capt. J. Anderson, from Canton, buoy No. B20—B. & S.  
Pongtong, British str., 1,001 tons, Capt. R. C. Freckleton, from Saigon, buoy No. C4—Yuen Sang Fat.  
Pres. Pierce, American str., 3,363 tons, Capt. H. Nelson, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—Dollar S.S. Line.  
Shun Chih, Chinese str., 1,251 tons, Capt. T. Thorbjornsen, from Saigon, buoy No. C2—Chang Tong Ha.  
Sibiro, Dutch str., 941 tons, Capt. Holtkamp, from Samarinda, Yaumati Anchorage—J.C.J.L.  
Solomon, Norwegian str., 1,435 tons, Capt. N. Norval, from Pakhoi, buoy No. A4—Sung Kee & Co.  
Sun Kong, Chinese str., 392 tons, Capt. Leung Pat, from K. C. Wan, Saikong Wharf—Wo Ho & Co.  
Yaching, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. C. Alexandro, from Swatow, West Point Wharf—J. M. & Co.  
Yuenang, British str., 1,983 tons, Capt. J. W. Pettigrew, from Kobe, Kowloon Wharf—J. M. & Co.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The Ben Line's s.s. Bonmohr, from Antwerp, London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., and is due to arrive here on the 27th inst.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. Kalyan left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., at 7 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 27th inst. at about noon.

## EXPETED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Aeneas due from Europe Aug. 23.  
Asphalion due from New York Sept. 7.  
Asuka Maru due here Sept. 12.  
Bengal Maru due here Sept. 7.  
Benmohr due from Singapore Aug. 27.  
Bokuyo Maru due from Shanghai Aug. 30.  
Burdwan due from Europe Sept. 11.  
Burgeland due from Japan Sept. 14.  
Calcutta Maru due here Sept. 14.  
Cathay due from Japan Sept. 12.  
Cremor due from Swatow Aug. 28.  
Duisburg due from Europe Sept. 15.  
Emp. of Asia due from Vancouver Sept. 16.  
Emp. of Japan due from Honolulu Sept. 4.  
Emp. of Russia due from Manila Aug. 26.  
Eumaeus due from Hankow Sept. 3.  
Fulda due from Europe Aug. 26/27.  
Ganga Maru due here Aug. 26.  
Glenamoy due from Japan Sept. 15.  
Glenagarry due from Shanghai Aug. 27.  
Glenluce due from Europe Aug. 31.  
Hakozaki Maru due here Sept. 4.  
Haruna Maru due here Sept. 4.  
Hawaii Maru due from Japan Aug. 30.  
Hector due from North China ports Sept. 2.  
Heian Maru due from Shanghai Aug. 30.  
Hiye Maru arrived from Shanghai Aug. 23.  
Ixion due from Vancouver Sept. 10.  
Kaga Maru due here Sept. 10.  
Kalyan due from Europe Aug. 27.  
Karmala due from Shanghai Aug. 28.  
Lemaiting due from Java Aug. 31.  
Lyons Maru due here Sept. 12.  
Mantua due from Europe Sept. 12.  
Menelaus due from North China ports Sept. 15.  
Monestheus due from Europe Sept. 7.  
Murozan Maru due here Sept. 3.  
Nagato Maru due from Shanghai Aug. 27.  
Nankin due from London Aug. 25.  
Oldenburg due from Japan Sept. 5.  
Pembrokehire due from Europe Sept. 11.  
Phenias due here Sept. 7.  
Pres. Cleveland due from Shanghai Aug. 28.  
Pres. Hayes due from U.S.A. Sept. 5.  
Pres. Pierce due from Manila Aug. 31.  
Pres. Wilson due from U.S.A. Sept. 7.  
Rangoon Maru due here Aug. 28.  
Sarpedon due from Europe Sept. 12.  
Shinyo Maru due here Sept. 18.  
Sirdhana due from Calcutta Sept. 9.  
St. Albans due from Australia Aug. 29.  
Taiping due from Australia Sept. 8.  
Takada due from Straits Aug. 26.  
Taketo Maru due here Aug. 26.  
Tango Maru due here Aug. 26.  
Tantalus due from Japan Aug. 28.  
Tatsuta Maru due from Shanghai Aug. 29.  
Terukuni Maru due here Sept. 18.  
Tijlboet arrived from Manila Aug. 22.  
Tijlboet due from Japan Aug. 27.  
Tijlboet due from Java Aug. 29.  
Tijsondori arrived from Amoy Aug. 23.  
Trave due from Europe Sept. 4.  
Trier due from Europe Sept. 21.  
Vogland due from Europe Sept. 3.  
Yamagata Maru due here Sept. 13.

## ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

## ADEN.

Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 22.  
Hilda, Dodwell's, Aug. 30.  
General Metzing, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 1.  
Ganga, Dodwell's, Sept. 9.  
Cathay, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Soudan, P. O., Sept. 19.  
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 19.

## ALABAMA.

Pres. Hayes, Dollar, Sept. 6.  
Pres. Filmore, Dollar, Sept. 20.

## AMCOY.

Haining, Douglas, Aug. 25.  
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Aug. 25.  
Taliuan, B. & S., Aug. 27.  
Takada, B.I., Aug. 27.  
Haining, Douglas, Aug. 28.  
Anhui, B. & S., Aug. 30.  
Haining, Douglas, Sept. 1.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Tijlboet, J.C.J.L., Sept. 3.  
Tainan, B. & S., Sept. 3.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Kitsang, Jardine's, Sept. 10.  
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 25.  
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 26.

## ANTWERP.

Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 5.  
Annam, Mannars, Sept. 7.  
Soudan, P. O., Sept. 18.  
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 19.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Sept. 20.

## AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Tanda, E. & A., Sept. 2.  
Taiping, B. & S., Sept. 13.  
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 23.  
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 28.

## BALIC PORTS.

Annam, Mannars, Sept. 7.

## BALTIORRE.

Phenias, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Taybank, Bank, Sept. 7.

## BANGKOK.

Kueiyang, B. & S., Aug. 27.  
Kwangchow, B. & S., Aug. 30.

## BARCELONA.

Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 19.

## BELAWAN-DELL.

Cremor, J.C.J.L., Aug. 27.

## BOMBAY.

Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 27.  
Hilda, Dodwell's, Aug. 30.  
Ganga, Dodwell's, Sept. 9.  
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.  
Cathay, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 14.

## BOSTON.

Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, Sept. 6.  
Phenias, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Taybank, Bank, Sept. 7.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Pres. Filmore, Dollar, Sept. 20.  
Siamese Prince, Furness, Sept. 22.

## BREMEN.

Annam, Mannars, Aug. 31.  
Saale, Melchers, Sept. 9.  
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 19.

## BRINDISI.

Hilda, Dodwell's, Aug. 30.  
Ganga, Dodwell's, Sept. 9.

## CALCUTTA.

Yuenang, Jardine's, Aug. 25.  
Rangoon Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Tainan, B.I., Sept. 8.  
Kumsang, Jardine's, Sept. 9.  
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 15.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 21.  
Takada, B.I., Sept. 21.

## CASABLANCA.

Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Menelaus, B.F., Sept. 15.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Sept. 20.

## CEBU.

Tantalus, B.F., Aug. 25.  
Phenias, B.F., Sept. 7.

## CHEFOO.

Luchow, B. & S., Aug. 27.  
Kueichow, B. & S., Aug. 30.  
Chipsing, Jardine's, Aug. 31.  
Huichow, B. & S., Sept. 15.  
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Sept. 17.

## COLOMBO.

Glenagarry, Jardine's, Aug. 27.  
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 27.  
Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Hilda, Dodwell's, Aug. 30.  
General Metzing, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Hector, B.F., Sept. 2.  
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 4.  
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 5.  
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, Sept. 6.  
Ganga, Dodwell's, Sept. 9.  
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.  
Cathay, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 14.  
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 15.  
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 19.  
Pres. Filmore, Dollar, Sept. 20.

## COPENHAGEN.

Annam, Mannars, Sept. 7.

## DALNY.

Aeneas, B.F., Aug. 25.  
Tainan, B. & S., Aug. 27.  
Linan, B. & S., Aug. 31.

## DUTCH PORTS.

Glenagarry, Jardine's, Aug. 27.  
Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Japan, Gilman's, Sept. 1.  
Hector, B.F., Sept. 2.  
City of Halifax, Bank, Sept. 4.  
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 4.  
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 5.  
Oldenburg, Jenson, Sept. 5.  
Annam, Mannars, Sept. 7.  
Saale, Melchers, Sept. 9.  
Burgeland, Jenson, Sept. 14.  
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 15.  
Menelaus, B.F., Sept. 15.  
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 19.  
Soudan, P. O., Sept. 19.  
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 19.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Sept. 20.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Sept. 27.

## FOOCHOW.

Haining, Douglas, Aug. 25.  
Haining, Douglas, Aug. 28.  
Kueichow, B. & S., Aug. 30.  
Chipsing, Jardine's, Aug. 31.  
Haining, Douglas, Sept. 1.  
Hector, B. & S., Sept. 15.  
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Sept. 17.

## GENOA.

Tantalus, B.F., Aug. 25.  
Hilda, Dodwell's, Aug. 30.  
Japan, Gilman's, Sept. 1.  
Oldenburg, Jenson, Sept. 5.  
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, Sept. 6.  
Ganga, Dodwell's, Sept. 9.  
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Burgeland, Jenson, Sept. 14.  
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 19.  
Pres. Filmore, Dollar, Sept. 20.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Sept. 27.

## GIBRALTAR.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 5.  
Cathay, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 19.

## GLASGOW.

Tantalus, B.F., Aug. 25.  
Hector, B.F., Sept. 2.  
Laomedon, B.F., Sept. 10.

## GOTHENBURG.

Japan, Gilman's, Sept. 1.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Sept. 27.

## HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Aug. 29.  
Kwangchow, B. & S., Sept. 11.

## HAMBURG.

Glenagarry, Jardine's, Aug. 27.  
Japan, Gilman's, Sept. 1.  
Hector, B.F., Sept. 2.  
City of Halifax, Bank, Sept. 4.  
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 4.  
Oldenburg, Jenson, Sept. 5.  
Annam, Mannars, Sept. 7.  
Saale, Melchers, Sept. 9.  
Burgeland, Jenson, Sept. 14.  
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 15.  
Menelaus, B.F., Sept. 15.  
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 19.  
Soudan, P. O., Sept. 19.  
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 19.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Sept. 27.

## HAYRE.

Tantalus, B.F., Aug. 25.  
Laomedon, B.F., Sept. 10.  
Burgeland, Jenson, Sept. 14.  
Soudan, P. & O., Sept. 19.

## HONGKAY.

Kueiyang, B. & S., Aug. 27.

## HONOLULU.

Pres. Pierce, Dollar, Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.

## HULL.

Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 5.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Sept. 20.

## JAPAN PORTS.

Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Aug. 25.  
Nankin, P. & O., Aug. 25.  
Takada, B.I., Aug. 27.  
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 28.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Glenluce, Jardine's, Aug. 29.  
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Ganga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.  
St. Albans, E. & A., Aug. 31.  
Porihon, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Teiresias, B.F., Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Vogland, Jenson, Sept. 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Murozan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Traver, Melchers, Sept. 4.  
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Menestheus, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 11.  
Pembrokehire, Jardine's, Sept. 11.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Burdwan, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Sept. 12.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Calchias, B.F., Sept. 14.  
Chenoneaux, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Duisburg, Jenson, Sept. 15.  
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.  
Ixion, B.F., Sept. 17.  
Kitsang, Jardine's, Sept. 10.  
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, Sept. 21.  
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 25.  
Kashmir, P. & O., Sept. 25.  
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 25.  
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 26.

## KALAMATA.

Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Aug. 25.  
Nankin, P. & O., Aug. 25.  
Takada, B.I., Aug. 27.  
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 28.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Glenluce, Jardine's, Aug. 29.  
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Ganga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.  
St. Albans, E. & A., Aug. 31.  
Porihon, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Teiresias, B.F., Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Vogland, Jenson, Sept. 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Murozan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Traver, Melchers, Sept. 4.  
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Menestheus, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 11.  
Pembrokehire, Jardine's, Sept. 11.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Burdwan, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Sept. 12.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Calchias, B.F., Sept. 14.  
Chenoneaux, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Duisburg, Jenson, Sept. 15.  
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.  
Ixion, B.F., Sept. 17.  
Kitsang, Jardine's, Sept. 10.  
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, Sept. 21.  
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 25.  
Kashmir, P. & O., Sept. 25.  
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 25.  
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 26.

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Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Aug. 25.  
Nankin, P. & O., Aug. 25.  
Takada, B.I., Aug. 27.  
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 28.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Glenluce, Jardine's, Aug. 29.  
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Ganga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.  
St. Albans, E. & A., Aug. 31.  
Porihon, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Teiresias, B.F., Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Vogland, Jenson, Sept. 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Murozan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Traver, Melchers, Sept. 4.  
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Menestheus, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 11.  
Pembrokehire, Jardine's, Sept. 11.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Burdwan, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Sept. 12.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Calchias, B.F., Sept. 14.  
Chenoneaux, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Duisburg, Jenson, Sept. 15.  
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.  
Ixion, B.F., Sept. 17.  
Kitsang, Jardine's, Sept. 10.  
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, Sept. 21.  
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 25.  
Kashmir, P. & O., Sept. 25.  
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 25.  
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 26.

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Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Aug. 25.  
Nankin, P. & O., Aug. 25.  
Takada, B.I., Aug. 27.  
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 28.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Glenluce, Jardine's, Aug. 29.  
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Ganga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.  
St. Albans, E. & A., Aug. 31.  
Porihon, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Teiresias, B.F., Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Vogland, Jenson, Sept. 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Murozan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Traver, Melchers, Sept. 4.  
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Menestheus, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 11.  
Pembrokehire, Jardine's, Sept. 11.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Burdwan, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Sept. 12.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Calchias, B.F., Sept. 14.  
Chenoneaux, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Duisburg, Jenson, Sept. 15.  
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.  
Ixion, B.F., Sept. 17.  
Kitsang, Jardine's, Sept. 10.  
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, Sept. 21.  
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 25.  
Kashmir, P. & O., Sept. 25.  
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 25.  
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 26.

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Nankin, P. & O., Aug. 25.  
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Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 28.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Glenluce, Jardine's, Aug. 29.  
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Ganga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.  
St. Albans, E. & A., Aug. 31.  
Porihon, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Teiresias, B.F., Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Vogland, Jenson, Sept. 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Murozan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Traver, Melchers, Sept. 4.  
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Menestheus, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 11.  
Pembrokehire, Jardine's, Sept. 11.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Burdwan, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Sept. 12.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Calchias, B.F., Sept. 14.  
Chenoneaux, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Duisburg, Jenson, Sept. 15.  
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.  
Ixion, B.F., Sept. 17.  
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Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 25.  
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Shantung, Gilman's, Aug. 25.  
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Kalyan, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Glenluce, Jardine's, Aug. 29.  
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Ganga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.  
St. Albans, E. & A., Aug. 31.  
Porihon, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Teiresias, B.F., Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Vogland, Jenson, Sept. 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Murozan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Traver, Melchers, Sept. 4.  
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Menestheus, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 11.  
Pembrokehire, Jardine's, Sept. 11.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Burdwan, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Sept. 12.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Calchias, B.F., Sept. 14.  
Chenoneaux, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Duisburg, Jenson, Sept. 15.  
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.  
Ixion, B.F., Sept. 17.  
Kitsang, Jardine's, Sept. 10.  
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, Sept. 21.  
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 25.  
Kashmir, P. & O., Sept. 25.  
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 25.  
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 26.

## KALAMATA.

Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.  
Shantung, Gilman's, Aug. 25.  
Nankin, P. & O., Aug. 25.  
Takada, B.I., Aug. 27.  
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 28.  
Kalyan, P. & O., Aug. 29.  
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Glenluce, Jardine's, Aug. 29.  
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.  
Ganga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.  
St. Albans, E. & A., Aug. 31.  
Porihon, M.M., Sept. 1.  
Teiresias, B.F., Sept. 1.  
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 2.  
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 2.  
Vogland, Jenson, Sept. 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Murozan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.  
Traver, Melchers, Sept. 4.  
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Menestheus, B.F., Sept. 7.  
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.  
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 11.  
Pembrokehire, Jardine's, Sept. 11.  
Sirdhana, B.I., Sept. 11.  
Burdwan, P. & O., Sept. 12.  
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.  
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Sept. 12.  
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 13.  
Calchias, B.F., Sept. 14.  
Chenoneaux, M.M., Sept. 15.  
Duisburg, Jenson, Sept. 15.



Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa and *South American Ports	Hawaii Maru	SEPT Tuesday
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, Central and South America and *EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 32nd September	Pres. Pierce	Parcel Reg. Letters
Swatow, Amoy and Echow	Haiching	Kowloon Reg. Letters
Saigon, *Straits, *Ceylon, India, *Mauri- tius, *E. and *S. Africa, *Egypt and *EUROPE via Marseilles—due Mar- seilles, 3rd October	Genl. Malsinger	G. Reg. Letters
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. and S. America, and *EUROPE via San Francisco— due San Francisco, 23rd September and *EUROPE via Siberia	Ohichibu Maru	Reg. Let. 2nd
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st October	Hector	Wednes- day Reg. Letters
Manila	Emp. of Japan	Friday, Reg.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden and Egypt	Ganga	Wednes- day

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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"NANNING"	On 25th Aug.	Noon
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 27th Aug.	D.L.
NINGPO, SHANGHAI	"LUOHOW"	On 27th Aug.	D.L.
CHONGKING & TIENTSIN	"KWEIYANG"	On 27th Aug.	Noon
HONGKONG & BANGKOK	"TEAN"	On 27th Aug.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI, NANKING & DALNY	"KINGYUAN"	On 28th Aug.	Noon
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"ANHUI"	On 30th Aug.	9 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"SHANTUNG"	On 30th Aug.	3 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 30th Aug.	3 p.m.
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WHAMPOA	"KWANGCHOW"	On 30th Aug.	4 p.m.
CHONGKING & TIENTSIN	"LINAN"	On 31st Aug.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI, NANKING & DALNY	"SUICHANG"	On 1st Sept.	3 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 3rd Sept.	D.L.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWANGTUNG"	On 4th Sept.	3 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNKING"	On 6th Sept.	3 p.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 11th Sept.	Noon
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WHAMPOA	"HUICHOW"	On 15th Sept.	3 p.m.
CHONGKING & TIENTSIN			

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## ROYAL OBSERVATORY'S DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

STATION	Time	AUGUST 23, 1931.					AUGUST 24, 1931.				
		Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Direction	Force	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Direction	Force
Wladivostok	13	29.69	75.40	SSW	3	...	29.76	75.00	...	...	...
Nemuro	11	29.67	75.85	WNW	1	...	29.82	75.73	...	...	...
Hakodate	...	29.80	75.70	S	2	...	29.80	75.70	...	...	...
Tokio	...	29.72	75.50	SE	1	...	29.73	75.50	...	...	...
Kobe	...	29.59	75.15	WNW	1	...	29.59	75.15	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	29.55	75.05	ESE	3	...	29.57	75.01	...	...	...
Kagoshima	...	29.21	74.20	NE	2	...	29.23	74.25	...	...	...
Oshima	...	29.94	75.00	N	6	...	29.51	74.00	...	...	...
Naha	...	29.26	74.80	NW	5	...	29.49	74.00	...	...	...
Ishigakijima	...	29.70	74.45	N	0	...	29.73	75.50	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	29.74	75.54	NNW	2	...	29.75	75.56	...	...	...
Chefoo	15	29.61	75.23	NNE	4	...	29.69	75.16	...	...	...
Shanghai	14	29.61	75.23	NNE	4	...	29.69	75.16	...	...	...
Gutalaff	...	29.51	74.96	NNE	4	...	29.51	74.96	...	...	...
Wenchow	...	29.54	75.03	E	2	...	29.50	74.93	...	...	...
Foochow	...	29.50	74.92	SE	4	...	29.51	74.92	...	...	...
Amoy	...	29.51	74.96	W	4	...	29.40	74.68	...	...	...
Swatow	...	29.51	74.96	N	4	...	29.47	74.64	...	...	...
Taihou	...	29.47	74.86	N	4	...	29.43	74.74	...	...	...
Tainan	...	29.43	74.75	NNW	4	...	29.34	75.51	...	...	...
Koshun	...	29.51	74.96	NNW	4	...	29.46	74.80	...	...	...
Pescadore	...	29.55	75.05	NW	3	...	29.52	74.98	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	29.58	75.13	WSW	4	...	29.52	74.98	...	...	...
Gap Rock	...	29.55	75.05	NW	2	...	29.51	74.98	...	...	...
Macao	...	29.61	75.22	NW	3	...	29.52	74.98	...	...	...
Holbow	...	29.58	75.13	NNW	2	...	29.50	75.19	...	...	...
Pratas Island	...	29.58	75.13	NNW	2	...	29.50	75.19	...	...	...
Philicia	15	29.58	75.13	NNW	2	...	29.50	75.19	...	...	...
Tourane	...	29.52	75.03	WSW	3	...	29.52	74.98	...	...	...
Cape St. James	...	29.72	75.50	WSW	3	...	29.75	75.57	...	...	...
Baco	14	29.40	74.68	NW	3	...	29.39	74.66	...	...	...
Aparri	...	29.44	74.77	NW	4	...	29.49	74.89	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.46	74.76	NW	4	...	29.49	74.89	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.58	75.00	SW	2	...	29.60	75.19	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.57	75.13	SW	4	...	29.57	75.13	...	...	...
Legaspi	...	29.62	75.23	SW	6	...	29.62	75.23	...	...	...
Calbayog	...	29.59	75.16	SW	4	...	29.59	75.16	...	...	...
Tacloban	...	29.62	75.23	SW	4	...	29.62	75.23	...	...	...
Noilo	...	29.62	75.23	SW	4	...	29.62	75.23	...	...	...
Cebu	...	29.62	75.23	SW	4	...	29.62	75.23	...	...	...
Surigao	...	29.64	75.28	SW	6	...	29.64	75.28	...	...	...
Saipan	...	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guam	12.22	29.76	75.59	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Palau	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.58	75.54	S	6	...	29.59	75.93	...	...	...

August 23d. 15h. 05m.—Warning to Hong Kong, Coast Ports, &c.—A severe typhoon within 60 miles of Lat. 26° N. Long. 128° E. stationary or very slow.  
August 24d. 9h. 20m.—Warning to Hong Kong, Coast Ports, &c.—A severe typhoon within 30 miles of Lat. 27° N. Long. 127° E. moving N.W.  
August 24d. 10h. 28m.—The typhoon is now few miles N.W. of Naha moving N.W.  
There are indications of another to the east of Koshun but this is not yet certain.  
Manila warning, 24d. 9h. 15m.—Typhoon in Lat. 26° N. Long. 127° E. moving W. Recd. 24d. 9h. 45m.  
Shanghai warning, 24d. 9h. 05m.—A severe typhoon within 60 miles of Lat. 27° N. Long. 127° E. moving N.W. Recd. 24d. 9h. 05m.  
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 59.35 inches, against an average of 63.20 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON AUGUST 25.  
Distances.  
1.—Shanghai to Turnabout ... N.E. winds, increasing to a gale, fair at first, rain later.  
2.—Turnabout to Hong Kong ... Light, variable winds, freshening from north, fine at first, rain later.  
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock ... Westerly or variable winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.  
4.—Hong Kong to Hainan Straits ... None.  
5.—North China Sea ... None.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, August 24.

Previous On Date On Date

Day at at

at 4 p.m. 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

Barometer ... 29.52 29.55 29.45

Temperature ... 81 59 92

Humidity ... 69 75 68

Wind ... WSW W SW

Direction ... WSW W SW

Force ... 3 2 3

Weather ... B B BO

Rain ... 0.00 0.00 0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 23.90

Lowest open-air Temperature, 24.63

B—Blue sky; C—Cloudy; D—Drizzle; F—Fog; L—Lightning;

M—Mist; O—Overcast; P—Passing showers; Q—Squalls; R—Rain; T—Thunder.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

To	Steamer	Date
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SANDVIKEN"	Wed., 26th Aug., at Noon
	"YATSHING"	Sun., 30th Aug., at Noon
	"HANGSANG"	Wed., 2nd Sept., at Noon
	"CHAKSANG"	Sun., 6th Sept., at Noon
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"YIENSANG"	Tues., 25th Aug., at 4 p.m.
	"KUMSANG"	Wed., 9th Sept., at 3 p.m.
	"SUISANG"	Mon., 31st Sept., at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI & KOBE	"SUISANG"	Wed., 2nd Sept., at 7 a.m.
	"ROSANG"	Satur., 26th Sept., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, SHAI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Satur., 19th Sept., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"YUSANG"	Tues., 25th Aug., at 5 p.m.
	"HINSANG"	Wed., 26th Aug., at 3 p.m.
	"MAUSANG"	Wed., 9th Sept., at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW, FOOCHOW & CHEFOO	"ORIPSHING"	Mon., 31st Aug., at Noon
	"ORONGSHING"	Thurs., 17th Sept., at Noon

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Empress of Asia	Sept. 12	Sept. 19	Empress of Canada	Sept. 25	Oct. 2
Empress of Europe	Sept. 25	Oct. 2	Empress of Australia	Oct. 10	Oct. 17
Empress of America	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Empress of India	Oct. 23	Oct. 30
Empress of Africa	Oct. 23	Oct. 30	Empress of China	Nov. 7	Nov. 14
Empress of Japan	Nov. 7	Nov. 14	Empress of Korea	Nov. 20	Nov. 27
Empress of China	Nov. 20	Nov. 27	Empress of Korea	Dec. 4	Dec. 11
Empress of Korea	Dec. 4	Dec. 11	Empress of Japan	Dec. 18	Dec. 25

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EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 17	Sept. 19

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TATSUTA MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
SEATTLE, VANCOUVER via Shanghai & Japan Ports	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
HIYOSU MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
HEIAN MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Suez	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
HAUOZAKI MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
KAMO MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
ATSUTA MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
MANILA	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
OHIOHIBU MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
NAGATO MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
KAGA MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
BOUYO MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
NEW YORK, BOSTON via PANAMA	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
TAKEYO MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stamboul (Constantinople), Genoa & Marseilles	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
LYONS MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
OLAUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
RANGOON MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
BENGAL MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
TANGO MARU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
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### FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS

Ship	Leave	Arrive
To Marseilles via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Djibouti (Aden), Suez, Port Said	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
G. MONTZINGER	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
SPHINX	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
PORTHOS	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
ORONORAU	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
ATHOS II	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
DARTAGNAN	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
ANDRE LEBON	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
FELIX ROUSSEL	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
ANDRE LEBON	Aug. 25	Sept. 3
FELIX ROUSSEL	Aug. 25	Sept. 3

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## Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

### YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS

IMPORTS 13,444 TONS  
THROUGH CARGO  
16,006 TONS

The returns, known at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony, during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:

Ship	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports
Chinese Prince	859	700
Anhui	450	90
Taiyuan	300	650
Soochow	210	700
Kweiyang	1,150	—
Kueichow	983	429
Nanning	5	535
Hopsang	—	631
Haining	325	—
Pongtong	1,700	—
Borneo	—	8,682
Honkoku Bay	2,900	—
Swedish	—	6,982
Shantung	612	6,981
Italian	—	612
Col. di Lana	121	3,450
Dutch	—	121
Tjondari	3	4,437
Danish	—	6
Michael Jensen	1,008	—
Chinese	—	1,008
Tchekam	300	—
Shun Chih	1,500	—
Cheung On	30	—
Total	13,444	16,006

### ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:

Ship	Arr.	Dep.
British	12	5
Swedish	1	0
Dutch	1	0
Danish	1	0
Italian	1	1
Chinese	4	2
Japanese	0	3
Total	20	11

### ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:

Anhui (Br.) Singapore	1,324
Taiyuan (Br.) Shanghai	197
Soochow (Br.) Taichow	141
Kweiyang (Br.) Bangkok	171
Kueichow (Br.) Tongku	33
Haining (Br.) Foochow	639
Pongtong (Br.) Saigon	425
Tjondari (Dutch) Dairen	30
Michael Jensen (Dan.) Yokohama	118
Tak Hing (Chi.) Antau	66
Cheung On (Chi.) Shanghai	142
Shun Chih (Chi.) Saigon	34
Total	3,441

### SHIPS IN HARBOUR

The following merchant vessels were in harbour yesterday:

Wharves:—Kowloon: Shantung, Hiye Maru, Okendoran; A.P.C.—Taikotsui; Groningen; Douglas Lapraik; Haining.	
Docks:—Kowloon: Limchow, Produe; Taikeo; Sandviken, Chichibu Maru.	
Buoys:—A2 Santhia, A3 Olympia, A4 Sing Kee, A5 Santo Maru, A6 Tjondari, A7 Chinese Prince, A9 Tjileboet, A10 Kweiyang, B1 Cheongshing, B2 Clara Jensen, B3 Taiyuan, B4 Anhui, B5 Kweiyang, B16 Michael Jensen, B17 Hellas, B18 Yuan Lee, B19 Soochow, B20 Nanning, B21 Yunnan, B22 Haining, C1 Hopsang, C2 Shun Chih, C3 Tchekam, C4 Pongtong, C5 Kueichow.	

### WARSHIPS IN PORT

The following warships were in port yesterday:

Basin:—Tamar.	
East Wall:—Otus, Ebonol.	
North Arm:—Seynha.	
West Wall (Dock):—Tarrantula.	
Dock:—Cicula.	
No. 7 Buoy:—Reigel.	
Foreign Men of War:—U.S.S. gunboat Helena, Japanese gunboat Saga.	

### CLEARANCES

August 24.

Anhui, for Amoy.	
Chinese Prince, for Manila.	
Cheongshing, for Swatow.	
Dorry, for Keelung.	
Deli Maru, for Canton.	
Hydrangea, for Swatow.	
Hopsang, for Swatow.	
Hiye Maru, for Shanghai.	
Kaitang, for Swatow.	
Kittawa, for Canton.	
Luchow, for Canton.	
Ryujin Maru, for Canton.	
Rovana, for Chinwangtao.	
Sibigo, for Canton.	
Santhia, for Singapore.	
Taiyuan, for Canton.	
Tjondari, for Muntok.	
Wing Wo, for K. C. Wan.	
Yatsing, for Canton.	

### ROUND TRIPS TO THE EAST

BLUE FUNNEL ENTERPRISE.

We are advised by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, agents for the Blue Funnel Line, that, starting with a "Sarpedon" from Liverpool on August 18, there will be a special return rate of £135.00 on all "A" class passenger steamers. This includes the trip to ports north of Shanghai, but for those travellers who wish to see Japan instead, free first class passages will be provided between Shanghai and Yokohama.

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### SHIPYARDS TO BE SCRAPPED

National Shipbuilders Security, Limited, announced that eight north-east coast shipyards with a total of 39 berths and a maximum annual output capacity of 278,000 tons are being purchased by them for scrapping.

The shipyards to be dismantled are at Stockton, Sunderland, South Shields, Hebburn, Howdon and Middlesbrough.

It is stated that the orders received by British shipbuilders during the first six months of 1931 were the lowest ever known both in numbers and tonnage.

### REPORT SHIPPING MERGER

The head office officials of the Union Co., which operates the Canadian-Australian Royal Mail Line, decline to comment on the report originating in Vancouver regarding a merger with the Canadian Pacific Railway fleet, states Reuter.

According to an unconfirmed report in Vancouver, the Canadian Pacific Railway is about to acquire a controlling interest in the Canadian-Australian Royal Mail Co., which has recently been granted Canadian registry.

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"MANTUA"	11,000	10th Oct.	Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	9,000	24th Oct.	Manila, L'don, B'don, A'warp, & Hull
"BURDWAN"	6,500	31st Oct.	Manila, Havre, L'don, B'don, & Hull
"NADDERA"	16,000	7th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	9,000	21st Nov.	Manila, L'don, B'don, A'warp, & Hull
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"KALYAN"	9,000	25th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MANTUA"	11,000	11th Sept.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama
"SIDDHANA"	8,000	11th Sept.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"BURDWAN"	6,500	12th Sept.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"KASHMIR"	9,000	23rd Sept.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama
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"KASHGAR"	9,000	17th Oct.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama
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"TANDA"	7,000	6th Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama
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"CORFU"	15,000	21st Nov.	do.
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	6th Dec.	do.
"NANKIN"	7,000	7th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama
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Ship	Leave	Destination
S.S. "JAPAN"	1st Sept.	Sailing about
M.S. "SHANTUNG"	27th Sept.	1st September

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Ship	Leave	Destination
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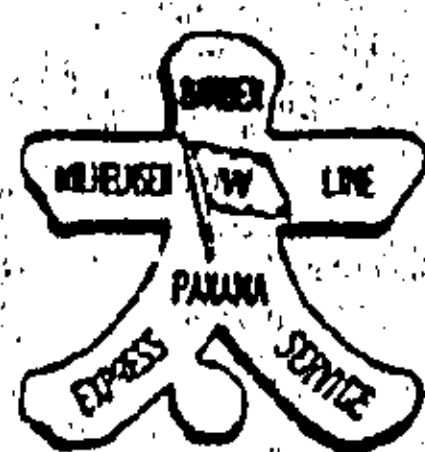
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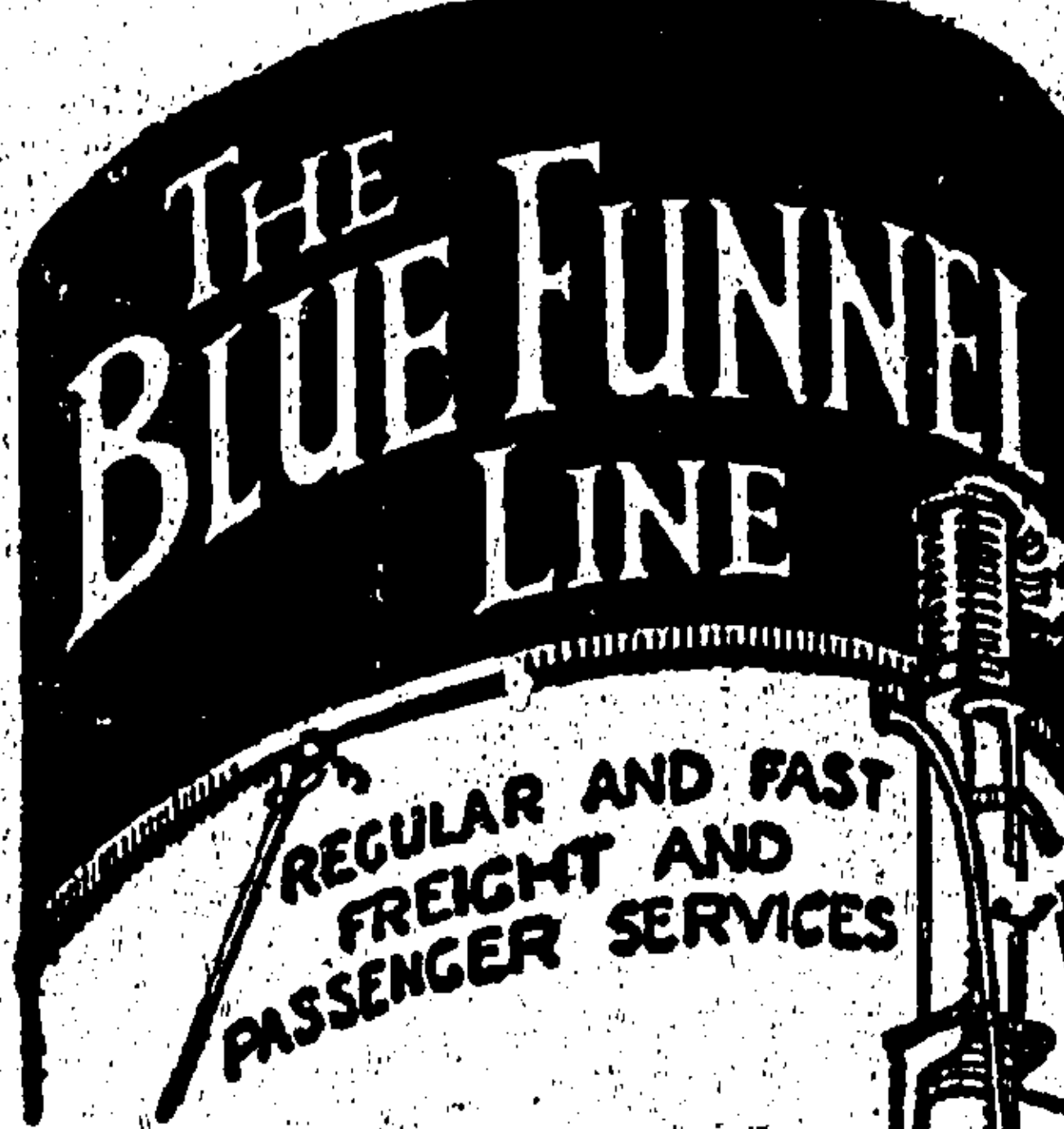
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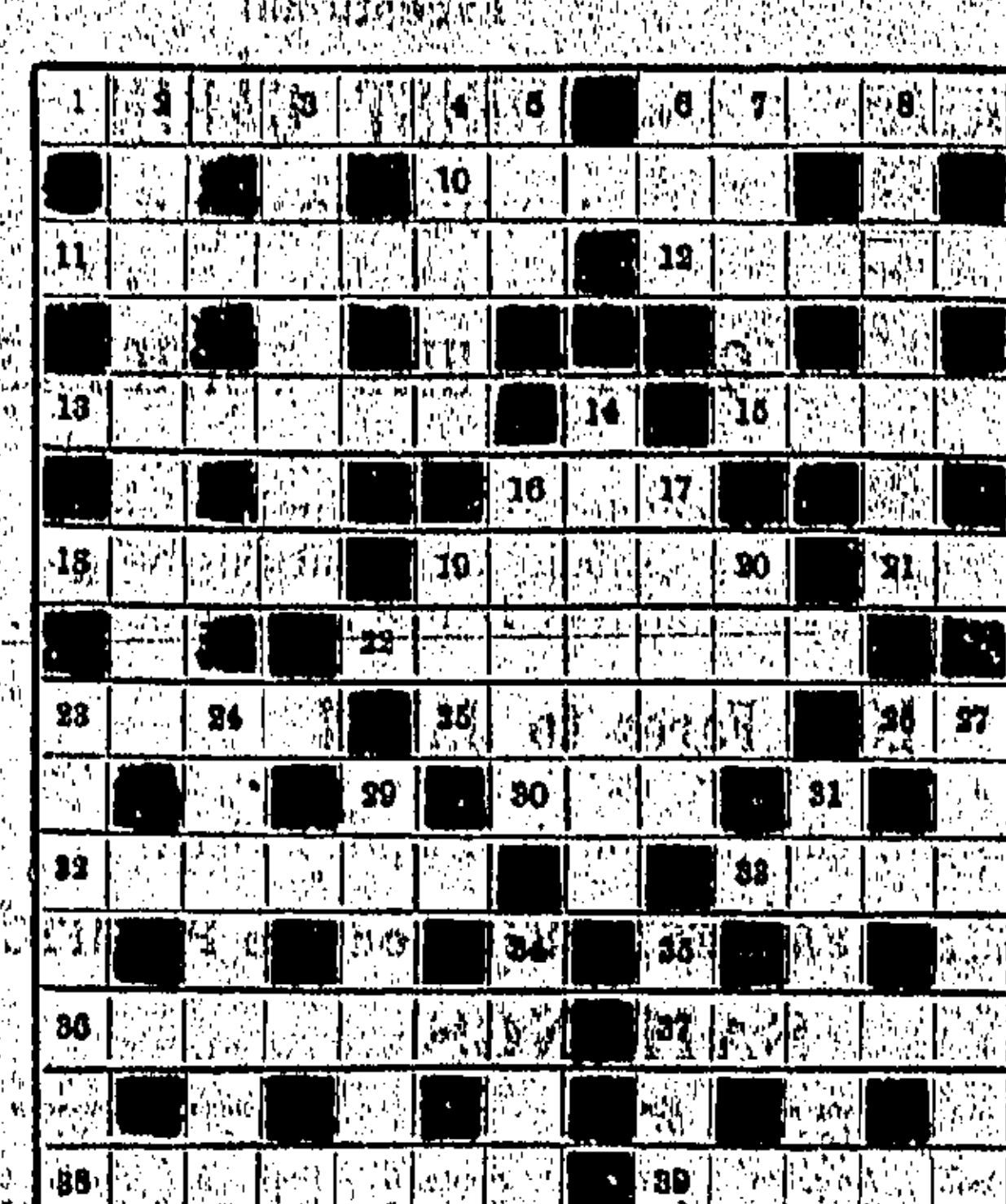
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H. MORI, Manager.  
Hong Kong, July 16, 1931. [28]

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#### CLUES

Across.  
1—Interpreter—formerly a cover-  
sign.  
2—The guillotine shows the way  
out for the dark lady.  
3—A bird.  
4—Contains "potted" news  
only.  
5—Perhaps by 25 Across.  
6—The car on the "puddy" road  
is responsible—not I.  
7—A West-country town.  
8—Middle phase of every  
cadence.  
9—If you give it, keep it.  
10—Small Spanish horse (one of  
three alternative spellings).  
11—A season.  
12—Undisputed victory for our  
leader.  
13—Flock preponderantly of the  
other sex.  
14—Has one meaning for the  
worker, another for the an-  
cient mariner.  
15—Welsh resort.  
16—"Nora," I repeat, was mis-  
sing: as I crept in to phone,  
Tom flew out (hidden).  
17—This nail ends in smoke.  
18—Swedish princess.  
19—It's horrible to say so, but  
I've a notion you've read  
this famous novel.  
20—Gourmet.  
21—"Near leg" (anag.).  
22—Hardy dairymaid follows  
"The Raven's" author and  
introduces (say) Elizabeth  
Barrett Browning.

Down.  
1—Instrument of wood, but not  
woodwind.  
2—Scene of many youthful ro-  
bberies.  
3—Top of the map.  
4—Epithet for a shell, or a  
coin.  
5—Hidden in 30 Across.

7—The head and tail of this  
poem appear redundant  
when you spell it.  
8—Censorious instruction to a  
composer.  
9—Particularly friendly at the  
close.  
10—Shoot.  
11—This lady wasn't at all well  
when she stood on her head.  
12—Not so old.  
13—"and gaiters".  
14—Denotes wealth, but coins  
made of it are all a down.  
15—Describes a cough.  
16—A tune? Please—  
17—Hair.  
18—Not so popular with ladies  
as with builders.  
19—Extremely ungallant sugges-  
tion—here!  
20—Not out.  
21—Animal to be found in its  
head.  
22—Quite a lot, but if you start  
with a hundred, it isn't cost-  
ly.

The solution will be published  
to-morrow.

#### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

DOWN  
1—Instrument of wood, but not  
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